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June 17, 1930 to November 10, 1930

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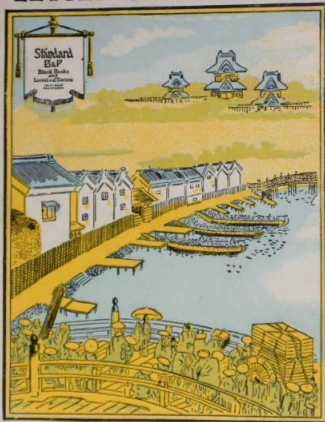
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June 17, 1930

Maryland Smelting & Refining Company  
attention: Mr. J. W. Towne,  
San Antonio, Texas.

Gentlemen:

I have your letter of the 14th instant relative to the payment made you on your recent deposit at this institution and have personally investigated the matter of your complaint and find upon receipt here your two bars weighed exactly 12.97 troy ounces which weight was checked at the time as are all deposits received at the Mint. After melting your deposit weighed 12.95 troy ounces or .02 of a troy ounce less than before being melted. This is a very proper and natural loss when melting bullion of the nature deposited by you and I do not believe it could have been melted with a smaller loss.

If in forwarding your bullion to the Mint you had stated you were sending 13 ounces, 6 pennyweights and 8 grains of gold, you would have been promptly notified of the fact that only 12.97 ounces were received and your deposit held without treatment until advised by you to proceed on our weight or such other action taken as you might desire. Your package was received intact and your two bars did not indicate they had been tampered with. Our scales are examined and proper adjustments made each working day by an

expert scale man and the weight of your bars as entered here is the full weight they registered when received.

The gold and silver contents are determined only by assay and these determinations are likewise thoroughly checked as are the calculations as to the amount to be paid.

If you feel you are taking any risks whatever in receiving full returns on your deposits at this institution, I would urge you to send them where such returns would more nearly satisfy your ideas in the matter, the employees of this institution being perfectly honest and competent and desirous that depositors receive full payment for bullion purchased, less the treatment charges. Should an error inadvertently occur in any transaction it is cheerfully corrected and to such errors I am always glad to have my attention directed in a respectful manner.

Respectfully,

  
FRANK E. SHEPARD, Superintendent.

OH:T



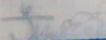
June 17, 1930

Mr. G. R. McPhillips,  
Fort Collins, Colorado.      Box 161.

Dear Sir:

Replying to your letter of the 16th instant, I have to advise that the Government does not deal in old coins nor is it collecting the Indian Head Pennies referred to by you and paying a premium thereon.

Respectfully,

  
Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent

ON:T

June 17, 1930

New Jersey Zinc Sales Company,  
160 Front Street,  
New York City.

Gentlemen:

I have to advise that proposals were opened at 10 A.M., Denver time, on this date for 2000 pounds refined straights tin, or equal, and 6000 pounds refined zinc, electrolytic, or "Horsehead" brand, and after considering same have to advise that no award will be made at this time.

Thanking you for having submitted a proposal for the above articles for which invitations will be again requested at a later date, I am

Respectfully,

Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent

OE:T

June 17, 1930

Belmont Smelting & Refining Works, Inc.,  
330 Belmont Avenue,  
Brooklyn, New York.

Gentlemen:

I have to advise that proposals were opened at 10 A.M., Denver time, on this date for 2000 pounds refined straights tin, or equal, and 6000 pounds refined zinc, electrolytic, or "Horsehead" brand, and after considering same have to advise that no award will be made at this time.

Thanking you for having submitted a proposal for the above articles for which invitations will be again requested at a later date, I am

Respectfully,

  
Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent

OH:T

June 18, 1930

Mr. E. C. Mallory,  
St. Louis, Missouri.

Dear Sir:

Complying with your request I have this day returned to you by insured parcel post the gold scrap forwarded by you to this institution for purchase, using the 25¢ in postage enclosed with your letter as follows:

Postage .....	42¢
Insurance .....	8 ¢
Stamps returned .....	12½¢

Respectfully,

  
Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent

Enclosure

June 18, 1930

First National Bank,  
Nogales, Arizona.

Gentlemen:

Referring to your consignments under date of the 14th instant, please be advised that upon weighing your bars at this institution the following discrepancies have been found between your weight and the weight as found at this Mint:

Invoice No.	<u>Your Weight</u>	<u>Mint Weight</u>
	<u>Troy Ozs.</u>	<u>Troy Ozs.</u>
13286	248.07	247.59
13287	160.59	160.22
13288	30.00	27.13
13289	41.80	41.52

I am therefore holding your shipment pending advice from you that the weights of the above bars as found here will meet with your approval.

Respectfully,

Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent

OH:T

June 16, 1930

Mr. Charles Cook,  
Silver City, Idaho.

Dear Sir:

I am in receipt of your deposit under date of the 11th instant, which I note you give an express value of \$200. and state in your invoice that your material weighs 16 ounces plus. Upon weighing your bar at this institution, I find it weighs exactly 15 troy ounces and I doubt if it will approximate the minimum value of deposits received for purchase which is \$100.

I would therefore suggest that you send enough additional material to be added to this bar to give it its proper value in order to be purchased by the Mint, as should I proceed to treat it and find after melting and assaying it that it does not contain the required value, the regulations require that it shall be rejected and a melting charge of \$1.00 imposed. It is also necessary that deposits contain at least 200 assay parts out of a possible 1000 of the precious metals, in which respect I am in doubt regarding your deposit.

Please advise me promptly of your wishes in this matter.

Respectfully,

Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent

ON:T



June 16th, 1930.

Mr. Louis Politzer,  
12 East First Street,  
Tulsa, Oklahoma.

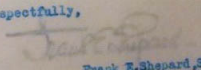
Sir:-

Referring to your letter and consignment under date of the 16th instant which latter weighs upon receipt here 4.91 Troy ounces, please be advised that under the present regulations the mint does not receive deposits for purchase which have a value under \$100., to meet which requirement it will be necessary for you to send at least as much more material - if of an average of 14 karat - to render your deposit acceptable for purchase.

Should this not be convenient for you, however, your material will be returned you upon receipt of the necessary postage and insurance.

Kindly let me hear from you at your earliest convenience, and oblige

Respectfully,

  
Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent



June 19, 1930

Krigel Jewelry & Trunk Company,  
101 West Main Street,  
Sedalia, Missouri.

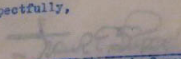
Gentlemen:

I have your consignment under date of the 17th instant, the weight of which including your envelopes is 3.92 troy ounces. In this connection I regret to advise you that the value contained in your deposit is not sufficient to enable me to accept it as all consignments are required to have a value of at least \$100.00, while your material likely would not exceed \$35.00 in value.

If you are unable to send an additional lot to bring your deposit up to the required amount, this material will be returned you upon receipt of the necessary postage and insurance.

I am enclosing a circular which will be of assistance to you when making shipments to this institution.

Respectfully,

  
Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent

ON:T  
Enclosure

June 19, 1930

The Commercial National Bank,  
Bozeman, Montana.

Gentlemen:

In reference to your consignment under date of the 16th instant, I have to advise that upon receipt here your material contained considerable moisture and after drying same was found to weigh 12.67 troy ounces.

I also note that it contains more or less mercury and I doubt if its value will approximate the amount stated by you; namely, \$250.

I have proceeded to treat your consignment and returns will be made in the very near future.

Respectfully,

Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent

OH:T

June 20, 1930

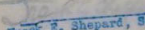
Mr. Leroy Ranyan,  
Pittsburg, Kansas.

Dear Sir:

Referring to your letter and consignment under date of the 17th instant, I regret to advise you that at the present time the Mint is not authorized to accept deposits for purchase which have a value under \$100.00 and under these conditions I will not be able to accept your small consignment.

Upon receipt of the necessary postage and insurance your bottle of gold and silver dust will be returned you.

Respectfully,

  
Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent

OH:7

June 20, 1930

Mr. Carl T. Gansel,  
Independence, Kansas.

Dear Sir:

I am in receipt of your letter of advice of the 19th instant and replying to the last paragraph of your letter relative to purchasing sheet coin silver, please be advised that the Mints do not sell silver nor in the form desired by you.

Respectfully,

Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent

OH:T



June 20, 1930

Mr. C. N. Joyner,  
Melrose, New Mexico.

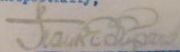
Dear Sir:

Replying to your letter of the 18th instant, please be advised that since you say your gold is in lime nuggets which also contains silver and aluminum, I doubt if the material you have for sale is really gold. However, if you will send a small sample here for examination, I shall be glad to advise you further.

In this connection I may say that the Mint only accepts deposits which have a value of at least \$100.00 and no metals are purchased other than gold and silver.

If you decide to forward a sample of your material here for examination, please enclose the necessary postage for its return to you.

Respectfully,



Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent

CH:T

June 20, 1930

Southwest Arts and Crafts,  
Santa Fe, New Mexico.

Gentlemen:

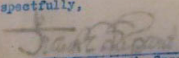
I am in receipt of a consignment bearing your label on the outside but to date have not received from you a letter of advice covering this deposit which is necessary before it can be entered on our books and paid for.

I have also to advise that at the present price of silver, your shipment will probably not have a value in excess of \$90.00 and under the regulations no deposits are received for purchase which do not have a value of at least \$100.

As your material doesnot contain any gold, a small amount of which is required in silver deposits, I would suggest that you make up its deficiency in value by forwarding sufficient gold to be added to this lot in order that it will comply with our requirements as to value and gold content.

Kindly let me hear from you at your early convenience.

Respectfully,

  
Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent

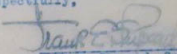
June 21, 1930

Mountain States Telephone & Telegraph Company,  
Denver, Colorado.

Gentlemen:

This will acknowledge the receipt of your voucher check No. 43776 in amount \$1.10 covering collection from telephone booth, Main 9972, for the period May 13, 1930, to June 12, 1930.

Respectfully,

  
Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent

OK:T

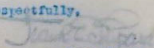
June 23, 1930.

The B. F. Goodrich Rubber Co.,  
Akron, Ohio.

Sirs:-

Enclosed please find amended copies of the proposals for certain hard rubber pipe and other articles, mailed you on the 16th instant. Prompt return of these proposals will be greatly appreciated.

Respectfully,

  
Frank E. Shepard,  
Superintendent.

F.

June 23, 1930

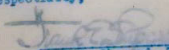
American Hard Rubber Company,  
11 Mercer Street,  
New York, N. Y.

Sirs:

Receipt is acknowledged of your letter of the 19th instant and in reply, I am enclosing amended copies of the proposals sent you on the 16th instant for certain hard rubber pipe and other articles.

I will greatly appreciate a prompt reply.

Respectfully,



Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent

P.

June 23, 1930

Mr. J. C. Crisman,  
Atlantic City, Montana.

Dear Sir:


I am in receipt of a consignment bearing your name on the outside and have to advise that to date a letter of advice concerning this deposit has not been received from you. Such a letter is necessary before your deposit may be entered on our books and paid for.

I also have to advise that your deposit is too small for acceptance - the minimum value of consignments acceptable for purchase being \$100.

In this connection, I also have to state that separate returns are not made on lots having a value less than \$100 each.

Upon receipt of the necessary postage and insurance your material will be returned you.

Respectfully,

  
Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent

OK:T



June 23, 1930

Mr. I. Meyer,  
2027 Garfield Avenue,  
Milwaukee, Wisconsin.

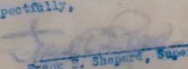
Dear Sir:

Replying to your note of the 20th instant, I have to advise that the United States Mint pays the New York market price for silver which prevails on the day prior to the receipt of deposits when sent in lots having a minimum value of \$100.00 and an appreciable gold content.

I would suggest that you consult the quotations in your local paper for price on silver - the price last week being around 54¢ per troy ounce of pure silver.

Please find enclosed circular relative to deposits at this Mint.

Respectfully,

  
Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent

CH:T

Enclosure

June 23, 1930


Prof. S. M. Worthington,  
1638 West 63rd Street,  
Chicago, Illinois.

Dear Sir:

Referring to your letter of the 20th instant relative to the two silver dollars forwarded at the request of the Treasurer of the United States, please be advised that as the Treasurer's instructions directed me to forward you two 1921 standard silver dollars, which was done, I am unable to comply with your request to send you peace dollars of later mintage without express authority from him.

I would suggest that you renew your request to the Treasurer of the United States at Washington as you did in the first instance and ask for such coins as you desire - the 1922, 1926 and 1927 peace dollars being available for shipment upon receipt of due authority from him.

Respectfully,

  
Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent

OK:T

June 23, 1930

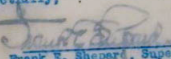
Mr. August C. Kyhr,  
Hall, Montana.

Dear Sir:

I have your letter of the 19th instant in reference to your shipment of approximately one ounce of gold bullion to this institution and regret to have to advise you that at the present time the Mint does not accept deposits for purchase which have a value under \$100.

Upon receipt of the necessary postage and insurance your consignment when received will be returned you.

Respectfully,

  
Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent

OH:T

June 23, 1930

S. M. Hammond & Company,  
111 West Commerce Street,  
San Antonio, Texas.

Gentlemen:

Replying to your letter of the 20th instant, please be advised that this institution will purchase your old gold, etc., when sent in lots having a minimum value of \$100.00, provided the precious metal content will consist of at least 200 assay parts out of a possible 1000.

The Mint also buys sterling silver if it has an appreciable gold content, and if you contemplate forwarding your gold filled ware, I would suggest that you include sufficient sterling silver in order that your deposit will contain enough silver to offset the large amount of base metal contained in filled goods.

The Mint pays \$20.67 for each troy ounce of pure gold and the New York market price, less the fraction, for silver which prevails on the day prior to the receipt of deposit.

I am enclosing a circular which will give you further information on this subject.

Respectfully,

Frank W. Shepard, Superintendent

CH:T  
Enclosures

June 23, 1930

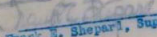
Mr. Louis Politser,  
12 East First Street,  
Tulsa, Oklahoma.

Dear Sir:

I have your letter of the 20th instant and am proceeding to treat your consignments and regret that I cannot send you separate returns as this is only done where each lot could be given the status of a deposit and contain a value of \$100.00 each.

Your shipment will therefore be consolidated and one check forwarded you in payment therefor.

Respectfully,

  
Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent

OH:T

June 23, 1930


Dr. C. W. Cramer,  
104 Pope Block,  
Pueblo, Colorado.

Dear Sir:

I am in receipt of a deposit with your name on the inside but to date have not received from you a letter of advice relative thereto, such advice being necessary before your deposit can be entered on our books and paid for.

I also have to advise that it is necessary that deposits have a value of at least \$100.00 to be acceptable for purchase and it is doubtful if yours will approximate that amount. I would suggest that you send a small additional quantity to be added thereto. Should I proceed to treat your deposit and after melting and assaying some find its value falls below the required amount, it would be rejected and a melting charge of \$1.00 imposed.

Respectfully,

  
Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent

OH:T

June 23, 1930

Mr. A. L. Leman,  
Appleton, Wisconsin.

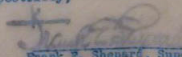
Dear Sir:

I am in receipt of your consignment under date of the 18th instant and have to advise that owing to the large amount of base metal which will be contained in your filled scrap, about 25 ounces additional in good silver will be required to render your deposit acceptable for purchase as no deposits are received which contain 800 or more assay parts of base metal out of a possible 1000.

If you desire, the good gold forwarded by you, which you state weighs 13.27 troy ounces, can be accepted as its fineness and value will no doubt meet our requirements. Separate returns on these lots, however, would not be made you unless the filled scrap also has a value of at least \$100.00 even after the additional silver has been added thereto.

I am holding your deposits until further advised by you and have to request that you will write me promptly regarding your wishes in this matter.

Respectfully,

  
Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent

OH:T

June 24, 1930

The First National Bank,  
Attention: Zita Palen, Assistant Cashier,  
Hays City, Kansas.

Gentlemen:

Replying to your letter of June 23rd asking for a few Colorado gold pieces of 1860-61 coinage, please be advised that these coins were manufactured before the establishment of the United States Mint in this city and they can now be obtained only from some of the larger numismatic dealers at a very high premium.

Respectfully,

  
Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent

OH:T



June 24, 1930

The Border Store,  
910 Olive Street,  
El Paso, Texas.


Gentlemen:

I am in receipt of a package bearing your name  
on the outside but so far have not received from you a  
letter of advice relative to the contents of this pack-  
age, an advice of this kind being necessary <sup>As to contents of</sup> before your  
package can be entered on our books and paid for.

Respectfully,

Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent

By

  
Acting Superintendent

CH:E

June 24, 1930

The Pattison-McGrath Company,  
1117 Walnut Street,  
Kansas City, Missouri.

Gentlemen:

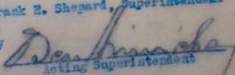
Referring to your consignment under date of the 23rd instant, the total weigh of which you state is 68.96 troy ounces, please be advised that upon receipt here I find, after weighing each one of your various lots, that I have a total of 68.62 which includes the envelopes containing your gold leaf, the greatest discrepancy occurring in your C. and B. scrap, which weighs 38.63 troy ounces instead of 39.05 as stated by you.

Please advise me promptly if the weight as found here is satisfactory to you.

Respectfully,

Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent

By

  
Acting Superintendent

OH:T

June 24, 1930

Mr. Charles Cook,  
Silver City, Idaho.

Dear Sir:

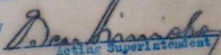
Referring to your letter of the 20th instant requesting me to return by parcel post C.O.D. your recent consignment to this institution, please be advised that I am unable to return your package in that manner as the Government has no funds with which to advance the postage.

I would therefore suggest that you forward me at your earliest convenience approximately \$1.00 in postage and so much thereof as may not be needed to mail your package will be returned to you.

Respectfully,

Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent

By

  
Acting Superintendent

OH:T

June 24, 1930

Mr. C. E. Wheeler, Assistant Cashier,  
First National Bank, Nogales, Arizona.

Dear Sir:

I have to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 21st instant relative to your consignments under collection numbers 13286 to 13289 and have to advise that I will proceed to treat same on the weights as found here and regret there will be a few days delay in remitting returns to you owing to the fact that our fiscal year was closed with deposits received and entered up to June 23rd, your letter not having been received until noon today. This is due to the fact that we are now undergoing our annual settlement and deposits received subsequent to June 23rd are entered as of July 1st.

Respectfully,

Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent

By

  
Acting Superintendent

OK:T

June 25, 1930

Mr. C. J. Johnson,  
Twin Falls, Idaho.

Dear Sir:

Referring to your letter of the 23rd instant and your consignment under separate cover of a small bottle of concentrates, please be advised that upon receipt here the bottle was found to be broken but the package was intact and it does not appear that any of your material was lost. The contents weigh 2.30 troy ounces, but as the Mint does not accept deposits for purchase which have a value under \$100.00, I regret to say that I cannot accept these concentrates; nor does the Mint accept bullion in such form when of sufficient value.

Upon receipt of the necessary postage and insurance, your concentrates will be returned to you.

Respectfully,

Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent

CH:T

June 25, 1930

Lois Hahner,  
3207 West 42nd Street,  
Kansas City, Kansas.

Dear Madam:

I have your letter of the 24th instant and have to say that the half dollar mentioned by you is what is known as the Oregon Trail Half Dollar, of special design authorized by the Act of Congress of May 17, 1926, to commemorate the heroism of the pioneers who traveled to the far west and to aid in the erection of suitable monuments to commemorate the tragic events associated with that emigration which resulted in adding new states to the Union.

The obverse of the coin bears a likeness of an old-time Conestoga wagon drawn by oxen over the brow of a hill toward the setting sun. The figure of the Indian on the reverse shows his left hand raised as if in warning to those of the east. The Oregon Trail is traced across the map of the United States as a background on this side of the coin, which was designed by Mrs. Laura G. Fraser.

The Act authorized the coinage of not over 6,000,000 of these half dollars but as to how many were actually struck and put in circulation, I am not informed.

The Government does not pay a premium on any coins, nor

ever recalls them - premiums being paid only by private coin collectors and numismatic dealers. This also answers your question in regard to the 1902 and 1903 one-cent bronze pieces.

The stamp enclosed with your letter is herewith returned.

Respectfully,

Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent

OH:T



June 25, 1930

Mr. E. A. Beland,  
904 Broadway,  
Concordia, Kansas.

Dear Sir:

I am in receipt of your consignment consisting of what appears to be filled ware and industrial gold and have to advise that while the latter is of sufficient fineness and value for acceptance, if combined with the filled ware the total amount of base metal will no doubt lower the fineness of your deposit to such an extent that it will not comply with the regulations of this institution.

I would therefore suggest that you send approximately 20 ounces of sterling silver to be added to this lot in order that its precious metal content will be sufficient to meet our requirements and that in future when you forward filled scrap of any kind, you include approximately one-fourth of its weight in good silver.

I am holding your deposit until advised by of your wishes in this matter.

Respectfully,

Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent

CH:T



June 25 1930

Mr. Charles I. Amer,  
P. O. Box No. 811,  
El Paso, Texas.

Dear Sir:

Replying to your letter of the 23rd instant,  
please be advised that under the regulations the Mint  
is not permitted to sell silver in any form.

Regretting my inability to assist you in this  
matter, I am

Respectfully,

Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent

OK:T

June 25, 1930

Mr. Leroy Buegan,  
Pittsfield, Kansas.

Dear Sir:

Complying with your request of the 23rd instant,  
I have this day returned to you by insured parcel post the  
small amount of gold forwarded by you to this institution  
for purchase, using the 16¢ in postage enclosed with your  
letter as follows:

Postage ..... 3¢  
Insurance ..... 3¢

Respectfully,

Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent

June 25, 1930

Mr. Jerry Walsh,  
510 Chestnut Street,  
Mechanicville, New York.

Dear Sir:

Replying to your letter of the 21st instant,  
please be advised that one-cent bronze pieces were coined  
at this Mint in 1922 but our entire stock of these coins  
has long since been exhausted.

Regretting my inability to comply with your  
request for some of these coins, I am

Respectfully,

Frank F. Shepard, Superintendent

June 25, 1930

Mr. Carl T. Gammel,  
Independence, Kansas.

Dear Sir:

Referring to your request on my letter of the 20th instant for the return to you of the silver contained in your recent deposit at this institution, I regret to say that deposits containing less than 50 ounces of silver cannot have silver bars issued in exchange for their silver content - your deposit containing 1.82 troy ounces of silver.

Check in payment of your deposit has already been issued and no doubt will be in your hands when you receive this letter.

Regretting that I cannot comply with your request, I am

Respectfully,

Frank M. Shepard, Superintendent

OH:T

June 25, 1930

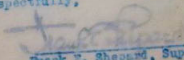
Mr. Bernard Murray,  
717 Grace Avenue,  
La Junta, Colorado.

Dear Sir:

Replying to your letter of the 24th instant, I have to advise that the smallest denomination of gold coin issued by the United States is the \$1.00 gold piece, the coinage of which was discontinued in 1890.

The Mint does not deal in old coins and I therefore have no list of coins issued by private parties prior to the coinage laws of the United States but I believe the piece mentioned by you is a token and probably made of some metal other than gold.

Respectfully,

  
Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent

CH:T

June 26, 1930

Mr. James D. Blaisie,  
Newport, Pennsylvania. Box #4

Dear Sir:

I have your letter of the 23rd instant and have to advise that all positions in the United States Mint, including that of Guard, are filled by competitive examinations held at various times by the United States Civil Service Commission, appointments being made from the eligible list established by the Commission as a result of such examinations.

I have no information as to when an examination for Guard in the Field Service will be held; but you may be able to get such information direct from the Civil Service Commission at Washington, D. C.

There are no vacancies at the Mint at the present time nor am I aware of any that may occur in the near future.

Respectfully,

  
FRANK E. Shepard, Superintendent

CH:T

June 26, 1930


Mr. D. W. Clark, President,  
Chicago, Waukegan Crucible Company,  
2525 Clybourn Avenue, Chicago, Illinois.

Dear Mr. Clark:

I have your letter of the 23rd instant and have to advise that I would be very glad to receive two of your No. 100 Crucibles for test, provided, of course, they can be furnished without any expense to the Mint.

I am very glad to have had the pleasure of meeting you and I send you my kindest regards.

Respectfully,

  
Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent

CH:T

June 25, 1930


Mr. C. M. Joyner,  
Melrose, New Mexico.

Dear Sir:

Referring to your letter of the 23rd instant, I have received the can of material to which you refer therein and very much regret to advise you that it does not appear to contain any of the precious metals and is without any value.

If you wish this can with its contents returned to you, please send me the necessary postage as the Mint has no fund to cover such an expense.

Respectfully,

  
Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent

CH:T



June 27, 1930

Mr. F. E. Gillett, Assistant Cashier,  
The First National Bank, Al Paso, Texas.

Dear Sir:

I have your letter of the 24th instant in reference to the resumption by you of shipments of Mexican gold coins to this institution and have to say that while the Government has not prepared an official form of affidavit for depositors pertinent to such shipments, I have prepared two sample forms which cover the essential points in making such shipments; one to be used when forwarding Mexican gold pesos purchased from residents of the United States and another for use in forwarding gold purchased in Old Mexico which it is necessary to have declared at the United States Customs Office, consumption entry permit in cases of this kind to be forwarded with affidavit.

In regard to the shipment of such gold by express, or registered or insured mail, have to say that it will be satisfactory to the Mint for you to ship either way as the post office delivers registered and insured mail at the Mint. This institution has no facilities for drayage of any kind.

Should you decide to resume your shipments of Mexican gold pesos, I shall be very glad to accept same when accompanied by satisfactory affidavits.

Respectfully,

*Frank E. Shanks*

Frank E. Shanks, Superintendent

June 27, 1930

Billings Dental Supply Company,  
Omaha, Nebraska.

Gentlemen:

Referring to your two consignments under date of the 25th instant, I have to advise that the lot containing approximately 126 pennyweights for which you desire returns made to B. P. Billings will probably not have \$100.00 in value which is the minimum amount received for purchase. If Mr. Billings can add a small additional quantity to this lot, I should be very glad to have him do so, or if you wish his gold added to the dental scrap, please so advise me. In the meantime, I am holding your consignments until further advised by you.

Respectfully,

  
Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent

OH:T

June 27, 1930

Commercial National Bank,  
Bozeman, Montana.

Gentlemen:

I am in receipt of a consignment with your express label on the outside and have to advise that your deposit cannot be entered on our books and paid for until I have received from you a letter of advice covering this shipment. I therefore have to request that you will kindly advise me at your earliest convenience.

Respectfully,



Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent

OH:T

June 27, 1930

Crescent Credit Jewelers,  
Fargo, North Dakota.

Gentlemen:

Referring to your consignment of the 24th instant, which weighs upon receipt here 3.37 troy ounces, I have to advise that if your gold is 14-karat it will probably have a value of \$40 but the Mint does not receive deposits for purchase which do not have a value of \$100. Under these conditions your deposit cannot be accepted and will be returned you upon receipt of the necessary postage and insurance.

Respectfully,

  
Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent

CH:T

June 22, 1956

Dr. E. M. Heffner,  
502 Karbach Block,  
Omaha, Nebraska.

Dear Sir:

Referring to your consignment of recent date which weighs upon receipt here 5.64 troy ounces, I have to advise that it does not appear that your shipment will contain \$100. in value which is the minimum amount received for purchase. I would therefore suggest that you send about one and a half ounces more of similar material to be added to this lot. If it is not convenient for you to do this, your shipment will be returned to you upon receipt of the necessary postage and insurance.

I am enclosing a circular which may be of some assistance to you in preparing material for shipment to this Mint, from which you will note a letter of advice should accompany all shipments.  
Respectfully,

  
Frank W. Shepard, Superintendent

ON:T

Enclosure

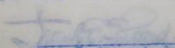
June 28, 1930

Mr. A. L. Leman,  
Appleton, Wisconsin.

Dear Sir:

I am returning you this day by Railway Express Agency, charges collect, your filled scrap weighing 122.27 troy ounces recently forwarded by you to this institution which I am unable to accept owing to the excessive amount of base metal contained therein as referred to in my letter of the 23rd instant.

Respectfully

  
Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent

CH:T

June 28, 1930

Mr. J. S. Kimball,  
Central City, Colorado.

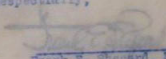
Dear Mr. Kimball:

Our Mr. Wells, Superintendent of the Coining Department of this institution, has referred to me your letter of the 23rd instant and accompanying piece of retort which I note you desire to deposit here for sale.

I have had this piece of metal tested and find that it contains 856 assay parts of base metal out of a possible 1000 and under these conditions your metal cannot be accepted for purchase as the regulations require that consignments containing 800 or more parts of base metal shall be rejected.

I regret that I cannot be of assistance to you in this matter and will return your metal to you upon receipt of the necessary postage and insurance, the Mint having no fund from which to pay such expense.

Respectfully,

  
Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent

CH:T

June 28, 1930

Mr. Walter G. Critchlow,  
Wheaton, Illinois.

Dear Sir:

Referring to your letter of the 26th instant, I have to advise that the souvenir mentioned by you did not come from this institution and no Mint of the United States has ever issued souvenirs made up of gold coins or having a gold content.

If this souvenir has the imprint of United States coins, I should like very much to see it if you would be willing to forward it here without expense for examination.

Respectfully,

  
Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent

CH:T



June 26, 1930

The Chicago-Haughatuck Crucible Company,  
Western Division, 2525 Clybourn Avenue,  
Chicago, Illinois.

Gentlemen:

I am returning herewith your invoice No. H-50-220, pertinent to my order No. 271, for 95 Bell Stirrers with the request that you will kindly have same certified as follows:

"I Certify that the above bill is correct and just and that payment therefor has not been received."

"Chicago-Haughatuck Crucible Company,  
Succeeding The Chicago Crucible Company."

(Signature of Officer) \_\_\_\_\_

Title"

I note that this invoice covers only 95 Stirrers while my order was for 100. I would therefore suggest that you re-  
der invoice for the 100 if you intend to ship the full number or-  
dered.

Respectfully,

  
Frank W. Shepard, Superintendent

CH:T

Enclosure

June 30, 1930

Mr. Ben Field,  
Hotel Teris, 1254 West Sixth Street,  
Los Angeles, California.

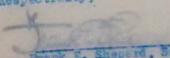
Dear Sir:

Replying to your letter of the 27th instant, I  
have to advise that new coins may now be obtained only upon  
application to the Treasurer of the United States at Wash-  
ington, D. C., in accordance with instructions  
in the enclosed circular.

Your six cents in coins and 2¢ stamp enclosed  
with your letter are returned herewith.

Regretting my inability to serve you in this  
matter, I am

Respectfully,

  
Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent

OK:T

Enclosure

June 30, 1930

Mr. Edward Bruen,  
Onontakah, Eden Street,  
Bar Harbor, Maine,

Dear Sir:

Replying to your letter of the 25th instant, I regret to advise you that our entire stock of one-cent bronze pieces of the coinage of 1922 has long since been exhausted and I am therefore unable to comply with your request for some of these coins.

The thirteen two-cent stamps enclosed with your letter are returned herewith.

Respectfully,

  
Frank W. Shepard, Superintendent

CH:T  
Enclosure

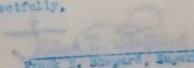
June 30, 1930

Mrs. Charles Lemaire,  
202 Chaucer Street,  
Helena, Montana.

Dear Madam:

I have your letter of the 28th instant and have to advise that it does not appear that Mr. Charles Lemaire has made any deposit at this institution since September, 1929, at which time payment in full was made him for the last consignment received from him.

Respectfully,

  
Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent

OW:T

July 1, 1930

Mr. C. W. Joyner,  
Melrose, New Mexico.

Dear Sir:

I have your letter of the 29th ultimo and in reply have to say that this institution is not equipped to make analyses of mineral bearing rock but from an examination of the material which you sent here it does not appear to contain gold or silver in any commercial quantity.

If you wish to have this rock analyzed, you could send samples to the United States Assay Office at Salt Lake City, Utah, which does work of that kind and assays for gold and silver can be made for you at a charge of \$1.00 for gold and \$1.00 for silver - money order for the proper amount to accompany your samples.

If you wish the return of the can of rock which you have sent here, please send the necessary postage and insurance for its return to you.

Respectfully,

Frank W. Shepard, Superintendent

CH:T

July 1, 1930

Dr. P. C. Verne,  
Fargo, North Dakota.

Dear Sir:

I have a consignment with your name on the outside but to date have received no letter of advice covering this deposit which is necessary before it can be entered on our books and paid for.

I note upon examining this material that it contains a little platinum which the Mint does not purchase nor make any allowance for. I would therefore suggest that you send sufficient postage for the return of this platinum to you.

I have also to advise that while it appears your deposit will contain a value of \$100.00, that amount is the minimum received, and if you have any doubt in regard to it containing that much, I would suggest that you send one ounce or more to be added thereto.

Please advise me promptly of your wishes in the matter.

Respectfully,

  
Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent

OK:T

July 2, 1930

N. Uhler Company,  
162 North State Street,  
Chicago, Illinois.

Gentlemen:

Referring to your consignment under date of the 26th instant, which weighed upon receipt here 11.94 troy ounces, I find that after melting and assaying same its value is in the neighborhood of \$92.00 which is below the minimum value of deposits received and under the regulations it has been rejected. Upon receipt of our melting charge of \$5.00, your consignment will be returned at your expense by express.

In the event you desire to reenter this deposit, this may be done upon receipt of the charges above mentioned and sufficient additional material to be added thereto which will bring your deposit up to the required amount of \$100.

Respectfully,

Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent

CH:1

Enclosure

July 2, 1930

Mr. R. A. Beland,  
Box 207, Concordia, Kansas.

Dear Sir:

Referring to your consignment under date of the 1st instant, consisting of 82.17 troy ounces of filled material, please refer to my letter to you of June 25th in which I stated that material of this nature required one-fourth of its weight in sterling silver in order that the gold and silver content would consist of approximately one-fourth of the weight of the deposit.

Your consignment contains the required value but the silver is necessary to offset the large amount of base metal which your material contains. As you have forwarded approximately six ounces of silver, I would suggest that you send fourteen ounces more.

I am holding your consignment until further advised by you in the matter.

Respectfully,

Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent

By

*Ben Branch*  
Acting Superintendent

OK:T



July 3, 1930

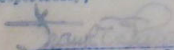
Mr. Robert Willis,  
303 West Masonic Avenue,  
Cripple Creek, Colorado.

Dear Sir:

Replying to your letter of the 1st instant, please be advised that the Mint does not deal in old coins nor have I any information available in regard to the 25¢ piece coined in California in 1849.

If your coin is genuine it was probably manufactured by some private concern, and not by the United States Government, prior to the coinage laws of the United States. Perhaps the Numismatic and Antiquarian Society of Philadelphia could give you some information pertaining to your coin.

Respectfully,

  
Frank V. Shepard, Superintendent

July 8, 1930

Crescent Credit Jewelers  
Attention: Mr. F. E. Korengold,  
Fargo, North Dakota.

Gentlemen:

In compliance with your request of the 30th ultimo,  
I have this day returned to you by insured parcel post the  
scrap gold forwarded by you to this institution for purchase,  
using the 15¢ in postage enclosed with your letter as follows:

Postage .....	4¢
Insurance .....	10¢
Stamp returned .....	2¢

Respectfully,

  
Frank W. Shepard, Superintendent

Enclosure

July 3, 1930

Mr. P. L. Pettit,  
West Liberty, Iowa.

Dear Sir:

I am in receipt of your letter of the 30th ultimo and accompanying consignment, weighing upon receipt here 36.95 troy ounces, which I believe will require the addition of about 8 ounces of sterling silver to offset the excess of base metal contained in your material, it being necessary to reject deposits which contain 600 or more assay parts of base metal out of a possible 1000.

If you have any doubt about your deposit containing a value of \$100.00, I would also suggest that you enclose some additional material in order that there may be no doubt as to its meeting our requirement in that respect.

The platinum contained in the small envelope, will have to be returned to you as the Mint does not purchase this metal and this will be done upon the receipt of the necessary postage and insurance. Please advise me promptly of your wishes in this matter.

Respectfully,

Frank H. Shepard, Superintendent

July 8, 1930

First National Bank,  
El Paso, Texas.

Gentlemen:

Replying to your letter of the 1st instant and particularly to the third paragraph therein in which you mention the fact that you are offered quantities of Mexican gold from banks on the American side of the border, I have to say that I doubt if shipments of gold so acquired in quantities in excess of \$100.00 in each instance would be acceptable to the Treasury Department, as the question might arise as to why such banks did not forward the gold direct to the Mint themselves.

The forms of affidavit furnished you were only to acquaint you with the essential points to be covered and should be changed by you to cover the conditions obtaining at your bank when stating the sources from which the gold has been obtained, etc..

Respectfully,

  
Frank W. Shepard, Superintendent

CH:T

July 5, 1930

Mr. August C. Kyr,   
Hall, Montana.

Dear Sir:

Complying with your request of the 30th ultimo, I have this day returned to you by insured parcel post the small amount of gold forwarded by you to this Mint for purchase, having used the 20¢ in postage enclosed with your letter as follows:

Postage .....	3¢
Insurance .....	8¢
Stamps returned .....	9¢

Respectfully,

Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent

Enclosure

July 5, 1930

Dr. W. M. Storey,  
415 First Central Building,  
Madison, Wisconsin.

Dear Sir:

I have to advise that I have received two deposits from you, the last one received evidently being intended as an addition to your first deposit, without so far having received from you a letter of advice or instructions relative thereto.

As deposits are not entered on our books and paid for when unaccompanied by a letter of advice, I have to request that you will advise me promptly concerning these shipments.

Respectfully,

Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent

CH:T

July 5, 1930

Mr. Joseph Leykam,  
C/o United States Mint,  
Denver, Colorado.

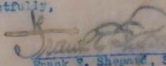
Dear Mr. Leykam:

As you are aware you will reach your retirement age on July 29, 1930, and while I should be very glad to recommend your continuance in the service for an additional two years, in view of the fact that you wish to retire at the close of your period, I have to advise you that I have so recommended to the Director of the Mint and your service at this institution will therefore end at the close of business on July 31st.

I wish to take this occasion to express to you my sincere appreciation of your faithful service at this institution during which time you have given unflinching attention to your duties which you have always rendered in a courteous and efficient manner.

In expressing to you my best wishes for your good health and happiness, I am sure I express the sentiments of all your coworkers at this institution.

Respectfully,



Frank E. Shepard, Shepard,



July 7, 1930

Mrs. Louise Gilli,  
Walsen, Colorado. Box 55

Dear Madam;

Your letter of June 20th addressed to the United States Assay Office at New York City in reference to the sale of a gold watch in your possession has been referred to this Mint and in reply I have to say that only such deposits as have a value of at least \$100.00 are accepted for purchase by this institution, which value I doubt if your watch would approximate.

I would suggest that you take your watch to some reliable jeweler in your city. In this connection please be advised that the Mint does not recommend any outside dealer nor assume any responsibility for returns received for purchases made by them when their names are suggested by the Mint - the suggestion being made only as a matter of accommodation.

Respectfully,

  
Frank W. Shepard, Superintendent

CH:F



July 7, 1930

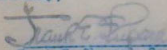
Dr. Mac Farkey,  
Ennis, Montana.

Dear Madam:

I have your letter of the 1st instant and in reply regret that I am not in a position to purchase from your patient small deposits of gold dust approximating one or two ounces owing to the fact that under the regulations no deposits having a value less than \$100.00 may be accepted for purchase.

The Mint pays \$20.67 for each troy ounce of pure gold contained in deposits.

Respectfully,

  
Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent

OH:E

July 7, 1920

Mr. Fred Huber,  
4357 Raleigh Street,  
Denver, Colorado.

Dear Sir:

Referring to your contract with this institution for the removal of ashes and debris, please be advised that beginning July 1st this service will be performed by "The Dump" at the rate of \$1.20 for a load of 3 cubic yards and \$2.25 for each load of 6 cubic yard. Under the above conditions your contract expired on June 30th and payment for the ashes and debris removed by you during June will be forwarded you shortly.

Respectfully,

  
Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent

CH:T

July 7, 1930

The Chicago-Haughetuck Crucible Company,  
2825 Clybourne Avenue, Chicago, Illinois.

Gentlemen:

I am returning herewith your invoice No. H-30-220 for 95 Bell Stirrers furnished by you to this institution with the request that you will please have same certified as requested in my letter to you of June 28th - it being necessary that you indicate thereon that you are the successor to the Chicago Crucible Company as the order has been entered in the name of the latter company and payment could not otherwise be made.

Respectfully,

  
Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent

OH:1

Enclosure

July 7, 1930

Mr. Bert Jones,  
Waukon, Iowa.

Dear Sir:

Answering your letter of the 5th instant, I have to advise that the Mint will buy gold and silver when sent in lots having a minimum value of \$100.00 and when the gold and silver content equals one-fourth of the weight of the deposit.

The Mint pays \$20.67 for each troy ounce of pure gold and for silver the New York market price, less the fraction, which prevails on the day prior to the receipt of deposit. The Mint does not buy ore in any form. All consignments should be accompanied by a letter of advice.

Respectfully,

  
Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent

July 7, 1920

Mr. E. M. Decker,  
Hotchkiss, Colorado.

Dear Sir:

In reference to your consignment of the 6th instant which weighs upon receipt here 3.01 troy ounces, I regret to say that I cannot accept this deposit as the minimum value of consignments received for purchase is \$100.00 and it would require about 5 ounces more of similar material to give your deposit the necessary value. If you can send this additional material, I should be very glad to have you do so, but if this is not convenient, your deposit will be returned you upon receipt of the necessary postage and insurance. Please advise us promptly.

Respectfully,

  
Frank W. Newport, Superintendent

CHIT

July 7, 1930

Brian & VanDusen,  
110 1/2 North 8th Street,  
St. Joseph, Missouri.

Gentlemen:

I have your consignment of record data but have not to date received from you a letter of advice pertaining thereto and under the regulations deposits are not entered on our books and paid for without the receipt of such a letter.

Kindly let me hear from you at your earliest convenience.

Respectfully,

  
Frank W. Shepard, Superintendent

CHT

July 7, 1930

Mr. A. R. Cochr,  
617 North 6th Avenue,  
Phoenix, Arizona.

Dear Sir:

Replying to your letter of the 5th instant, I have to advise that the Mint will buy gold scrap and silver when sent in lots having a minimum value of \$100.00 and where the pure metal content of these metals equals one-fourth of the weight of the deposit.

The Mint pays \$20.67 for each troy ounce of pure gold and the New York market price, less the fraction, which prevails on the day prior to the receipt of the deposit, for silver.

Consignments must be accompanied by a letter of advice and have all transportation charges prepaid.

Enclosed you will find a circular which will give you further information on this subject.

Respectfully,

  
Frank E. Sawyer, Superintendent

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Enclosure

July 7, 1930

Mrs. Jessie E. Shanks,  
Atlantic City, Wyoming.

Dear Madam:

I am in receipt of your consignment, weighing upon receipt bare 1.71 troy ounces, and regret to say that the Mint cannot accept deposits that do not contain a minimum value of \$100.00 and it is also necessary that all consignments be accompanied by a letter of advice before they can be entered on our books and paid for.

Upon receipt of the necessary postage and insurance, your material will be returned you.

Respectfully,

Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent

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July 7, 1930

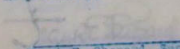
Dr. P. J. Hemmer,  
302 Phoenix Block,  
Butte, Montana.

Dear Sir:

Complying with your request of the 3rd instant,  
I have this day returned to you by insured mail the scrap  
gold forwarded by you to this institution for purchase,  
having used the 50¢ in postage enclosed with your letter  
as follows:

Postage .....	8¢
Insurance .....	25¢
Stamps returned .....	17¢

Respectfully,

  
Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent

Enclosure

July 8, 1930

Dr. P. C. Veros,  
Fargo, North Dakota.

Dear Sir:

I find upon examination of your recent deposit at this institution that in order to return you your platinum, it would have to be clipped from the various pieces of gold teeth comprising your consignment. The Mint can not undertake to do this and if you are not willing to waive the platinum values, it will be necessary for me to return your entire deposit to you, in which event I have to request that you will enclose additional postage to that forwarded with your recent letter, amounting to 8¢.

Respectfully,

Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent

OH:T

July 8, 1930

Porter Safety Seal Company,  
267 North California Avenue,  
Chicago, Illinois.

Gentlemen:

Referring to my order No. 190 of February 12th, last, for 15,000 No. 4 Porter Safety Seals for which you rendered your invoice No. 2742 and made a freight deduction thereon of \$3.51 for 384 pounds at 91 $\frac{1}{2}$ ¢ per cwt., please be advised that I have been informed by the Auditor at Washington that freight allowance should have been made at the rate of \$1.21 $\frac{1}{2}$  per cwt. or \$4.66, making a net difference of \$1.15. I have therefore to request that you will kindly remit me your check for \$1.15 to cover this over-payment to you in order that it may be deposited in the Treasury to balance my accounts.

Kindly give this matter your prompt attention and oblige

Respectfully,

Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent

OH:TF

Mr. Walter S. Critchlow,  
Wheaton, Ill.

July 9, 1930.

Sir:

I am in receipt of your letter of the 2nd inst., and accompanying paper-weight consisting of impressions of the various denominations of gold coins of the United States, and have to thank you for sending this to me.

The metal contained in this paper-weight is copperized lead and from a metallic standpoint has absolutely no value. Its manufacture was in violation of the coinage laws of the United States which prohibit the issue of any devices bearing any resemblance or similitude to our coins, and impose a heavy fine and imprisonment. As in the case of counterfeit coin which comes into the possession of the Mint, I am required to deliver same to the secret service and regret that I cannot therefore return your paper-weight to you.

I appreciate your courtesy in this matter and if you can ascertain the source from which you obtained this article would be glad to have you advise me.

Respectfully,

Frank B. Shepard,  
Superintendent.

July 9, 1930.

Dr. Earle W. Conner,  
208-7 Wellston Bldg.,  
St. Louis, Mo.

Sir:

Answering your letter of the 7th inst., I have to advise that this institution will accept scrap gold for purchase when sent in lots having a minimum value of \$100.00, when the gold content is equal to about one-fourth of the weight of the deposit.

Consignments must be accompanied by a letter of advice and have transportation charges prepaid.

Respectfully,

Frank E. Shepard,  
Superintendent.

Dr. Theo. P. Brinchurst,  
402 State National Bank Bldg.,  
Shawnee, Okla.

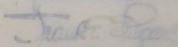
July 9, 1930.

Sir:

I have your letter of the 7th inst., and in reply please be advised that this institution will purchase dental gold in lots having a value of not less than \$100.00.

If you will bring your gold to this institution when in Denver during the week of July 22nd, it will be accepted and gold coin given you for the gold contents thereof within approximately two days.

Respectfully,



Frank E. Shepard,  
Superintendent.

July 9, 1930

American National Bank,  
Attention: Mr. H. McAlpine,  
Collections Department,  
Silver City, New Mexico.

Gentlemen:

Referring to your letter of the 7th instant in reference to your consignment under date of May 27th, weighing upon receipt here 7.34 troy ounces, I have to advise that on May 29th I wrote you to the effect that this shipment did not contain sufficient value for acceptance by the Mint as no deposits are received having a value less than \$100.00, to which letter I have not yet had a reply.

This morning I received from you another consignment weighing 10.37 troy ounces but no advice from you as to whether this second shipment is sent for addition to your first shipment or consists of a separate deposit.

Upon receipt from you of information as to what you desire done with these deposits, I will proceed to comply with your wishes in the matter at my earliest convenience.

Respectfully,

Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent



July 9, 1930

Major John G. Teicher,  
Secretary, Thirteenth Civil Service District,  
Post Office Building,  
Denver, Colorado.

Dear Major Teicher:

Will you kindly send me the eligible list for  
Guard from which to make one selection at \$1380.00 per  
annum?

Respectfully,

Frank L. Shepard, Superintendent

OH:T



July 9, 1930

M. Uhler Company,  
162 North State Street,  
Chicago, Illinois.

Gentlemen:

I have your letter of the 7th instant and accompanying consignment weighing upon receipt here 1.34 troy ounces for addition to your previous consignment which was rejected because of insufficient value.

Please refer to my letter to you of the 2nd instant in which you will note that I stated that your prior consignment could not be reentered as a deposit until our melting charges, amounting to \$2.00, had been received. Upon receipt of this remittance your two lots will be combined and the proceeds remitted to you promptly.

Respectfully,

  
Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent

OH:T

July 10th, 1920.

The Golden Cycle Corporation,  
Colorado Springs, Colorado.

Attention Mr. F. W. Charlson.

Gentlemen:-

Replying to your letter of the 9th instant in reference to the return of your sacks at this institution, please be advised that all sacks in our possession were forwarded to you by Express on the 7th instant.

Respectfully,



Frank E. Shepard,  
Superintendent.

July 10th, 1930.

Mrs. G.C. Resseger,  
1325 Tindall Avenue,  
Trenton, Missouri.

Madam:-

I have to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 8th instant and under separate cover your dental gold which I regret to say does not contain sufficient value to be purchased by the Mint, no deposits being received for purchase under \$100.

Upon receipt of the necessary postage and insurance, your gold will be returned you.

Respectfully,

Frank E. Shepard,  
Superintendent.

July 10th, 1930.

The American Smelting & Refining Company,  
Selby, California.

Attention Mr. Jesse Seaman, Manager.

Gentlemen:

At the request of Mr. Chas. Cook, Silver City, Idaho,  
I have forwarded you this day by insured parcel post a package  
of gold bullion weighing 15.03 Troy ounces, the Mint not being  
able to accept this deposit.

Kindly make returns direct to Mr. Cook from whom I  
have no doubt you will receive proper instructions pertaining  
thereto.

Respectfully,

Frank E. Shepard,  
Superintendent.

July 10th, 1930.

Mr. Chas. Cook,  
Silver City, Idaho.

Dear Sir:-

As requested in your letter of the 5th instant, I have this day forwarded to the American Smelting & Refining Company, Selby, California, care Jesse Seaman, Manager, your recent consignment to this institution weighing 15.03 Troy ounces, having used the postage stamps enclosed by you as follows:

low:

Postage	.15
Insurance	.25
	<u>.40</u>
Returned herewith,	.60

Respectfully,

Frank E. Shepard,  
Superintendent.

July 11th, 1930.

Mr. Robert A. Soward,  
Olivet, Kansas.

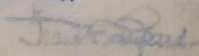
Sir:-

Answering your letter of the 9th instant, I have to advise that the United States Assay Office at Salt Lake City, Utah, makes analyses of mineral bearing rock, sand, etc., the mint not being equipped to do work of that kind.

Gold determinations are made at a charge of \$2.00, silver \$1.00, lead \$1.50, copper \$2.00 and zinc \$2.00. I would suggest that you send about one pound of your material and request information as to the sufficiency of that quantity for the determinations desired by you.

Money order payable to the above office should accompany your samples.

Respectfully,

  
Frank E. Shepard,  
Superintendent.

July 11th, 1930.

The Meier Jewelry Company,  
12th and Walnut Street,  
Kansas City, Missouri.

Gentlemen:-

Referring to your consignment of the 2nd instant, No. 21, which you state in your invoice weighs 16 ounces, 16 grs., please be advised that upon receipt here your material weighs 16.03 Troy ounces. Respectfully,

I have proceeded to treat your deposit but thought it proper to call your attention to this discrepancy and trust this is satisfactory to you.

Respectfully,

Frank E. Shepard,  
Superintendent.

July 11th, 1930.

Mr. P.A.Olguin,  
Isleta, New Mexico.

Dear Sir:-

Replying to your note of the 9th instant, I regret to advise you that the Mint does not sell silver in any quantity and I am unable to advise you from what source you may be able to obtain your requirements.

Respectfully,

Frank E. Shepard,  
Superintendent.



July 12th, 1930.

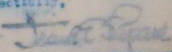
Mr. Rex Keyser,  
Omak, Washington.

Sir:-

Referring to your note of the 9th instant, please be advised that the Mint is not equipped to make any analyses of mineral bearing specimens. I am unable to suggest any outside party who could make radium determinations for you as special apparatus is required for such work, although it might be your State University could be of some assistance to you in this connection.

Although your specimen has not reached me at this time, upon receipt of the necessary postage and insurance, it will be returned you when and if received, if you so desire.

Respectfully,



Frank E. Shepard  
Superintendent.

July 12th, 1930.

Mr. Joe Lambotte,  
518 South Elm,  
McPherson, Kansas.

Sir:-

I have your letter of the 11th instant and accompanying sample of ore and have to advise that the Mint does not make analyses of such material. Such work can be done for you by the United States Assay Office at Salt Lake City, Utah, at a charge of \$1.00 for gold and \$2.00 for silver, money order for the proper amount to accompany your sample.

The Mint does not smelt ore and cannot therefore return to you any gold your sample might contain, if any.

If you desire the return of the piece of ore which you have forwarded here, please send me the necessary postage and insurance at your earliest convenience.

Respectfully,

Frank E. Shepard,  
Superintendent.

July 12th, 1930.

Mr. C.J. Johnson,  
Care, Johnson Produce Company,  
Twin Falls, Idaho.

Sir:-

As requested in your letter of the 9th instant, I have  
this day returned you by insured parcel post the sample of con-  
centrates forwarded by you to this institution, the postage en-  
closed with your letter having been used as follows:

Postage	.04
Insurance	.03
Returned	<u>.07</u>

Amount received, .11

respectfully,

  
Frank E. Shepard,  
Superintendent.

P.S. I regret to say I am unable to advise you of any party  
who might be able to treat your concentrates.

July 14th, 1930.

Mr. Martin W. Christofferson, Jr.,  
210 First Street,  
Valley City, North Dakota.

Sir:-

Referring to your note of the 7th instant and accompanying sample of ore, please be advised that the Mint does not make analyses of mineral bearing specimens. Such work can be done for you by the United States Assay Office at Salt Lake City, Utah, at a charge of \$1.00 for gold and \$1.00 for silver, money order for the proper amount to accompany your sample.

The mineral in your specimen appears to be pyrites of iron which has no commercial value. If you desire its return, please forward me the necessary postage and insurance at your earliest convenience.

Respectfully,

Frank E. Shepard,  
Superintendent.

July 14th, 1930.

Miss Dorothy Ralph,  
Tells, Nevada.

Dear Miss:

Replying to your letter of the 11th instant, please be advised that the Mint does not deal in old coins nor pay a premium thereon and I am unable therefore to give you any information relative to the present value of the ~~20~~ gold piece in your possession. I would suggest that you correspond with some reliable coin collector or numismatic dealer for information on this subject.

Respectfully,

Frank E. Shepard,  
Superintendent.

July 14th, 1930.

M.L. Steelman,  
311 Medical Arts Building,  
Wilmington, Delaware.

Sir:-

I am in receipt of a consignment bearing your name on the outside but to date have not received from you a letter of advice in regard to this deposit which is necessary before your shipment can be entered on our books and paid for.

Kindly let us hear from you at your earliest convenience.

Respectfully,

Frank E. Shepard,  
Superintendent.

July 14th, 1930.

Mr. Walter C. Critchlow,  
Wheaton, Illinois.

Dear Sir:-

I have your letter of the 11th instant in further reference to the paper weight forwarded by you to this institution and which it was necessary for me under the regulations to turn over to the U.S. Secret Service, and I desire to express my appreciation of your understanding of my action in this matter and to thank you for your spirit of cooperation in the premises.

Respectfully,

Wm. W. H. Ford,  
Superintendent.

July 14th, 1930.

Mr. Robert M. Deering,  
25 Evans Street,  
Portland, Maine.

Sir:-

Answering your card of the 10th instant, I have to advise that no coins have been manufactured at this institution during the current calendar year except the one cent bronze piece. If you desire to secure any of these, your application should be made to the Treasurer of the United States at Washington, D.C.

Respectfully,

Frank E. Shepard,  
Superintendent.



July 14th, 1930.

The Bank of De Beque,  
De Beque, Colorado.

Sirs:-

Referring to your letter of the 12th instant, please be advised that the Mint does not redeem mutilated currency, this being done only by the Treasurer of the United States at Washington, D.C. I am enclosing a circular giving full instructions pertaining to such redemption which should be carefully complied with.

Upon receipt of the necessary postage and insurance, the box containing the fragments of currency, or whatever these particles may be, will be returned you.

Respectfully,

Frank S. Shepard,  
Superintendent.

July 14th, 1930.

Mr. Albert Kemman,  
925 Rose Building,  
Cleveland, Ohio.

Sir:-

I have your letter of the 9th instant and accompanying consignment and have to advise that the latter upon receipt here weighs 13.66 Troy ounces in lieu of 14.225 as stated by you. Owing to this discrepancy in weight, I am holding your shipment without treatment and have to request that you will kindly advise me if the weight found here is satisfactory to you.

Respectfully,

Frank E. Shepard,  
Superintendent.

July 14th, 1880.

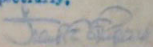
Mr. Bert Jones,  
Wagon, Iowa.

Sir:-

I have your letter of the 9th instant and under separate cover your box of ore and have to advise that the Mint does not purchase such material which appears to be white iron and of no commercial value.

If you desire the return of this ore, please send me the necessary postage and insurance at your earliest convenience, otherwise it will be thrown away.

Respectfully,



Frank E. Sheppard,  
Superintendent.

July 14th, 1930.

Mr. L. Smith,  
2412 Highland Avenue,  
Shreveport, Louisiana.

Sir:-

I have your letter and accompanying consignment under date of the 9th instant and regret to say that Mint cannot purchase your material as no deposits are received for purchase having a value under \$200 - your deposit containing in the neighborhood of \$40.

Upon receipt of the necessary postage and insurance, your consignment will be returned you.

Respectfully,

Frank E. Shepard,  
Superintendent.

July 14th, 1930.

Mr. E. M. Dacker,  
Hotchkiss, Colorado.

Sir:-

As requested by you, I am returning you this day by insured parcel post your recent consignment to this institution, the regulations at the present time prohibiting the acceptance of deposits under \$100.

The postage enclosed by you has been used as

follows:

Postage	.04 $\frac{1}{2}$
Insurance	.10
Returned	<u>.10</u>
Received,	.25

Respectfully,



Frank E. Shepard,  
Superintendent.

July 14th, 1930.

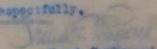
H.M.F. Funk,  
275 West Main, Geneva, Ohio.

Sir:-

Answering your letter of the 11th instant in reference to Mr. E.S. Felts who was employed as fireman and guard at this institution from February 16th, 1914, to February 15, 1916, I have to say that he was dropped from our rolls, without prejudice, on the latter date because of total disability for work. I am not aware of what pension he receives from the Government, such matters not being in any manner connected with this office.

After leaving the Mint it was my understanding that he made application for entrance into some sanitarium in South Dakota on account of his health. Perhaps Mrs. C. Felts of 3340 Teton Street, this city, could give you further information regarding his present status.

Respectfully,

  
Frank B. Shepard,  
Superintendent.

St. Louis, Mo., July 14th, 1900.

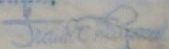
Mr. Lawrence C. Stewart,  
205 North 5th Street,  
Saint Louis, Missouri.

Sir:-

Referring to your consignment No. 1 under date of the 10th instant, please be advised that upon receipt here your material weighs 57.47 Troy ounces instead of 53 ounces as stated by you. These weights are in agreement, however, if your weight is accurate.

Before proceeding to treat your shipment, I have to request that you will kindly advise me if the weight found here is satisfactory to you.

Respectfully,

  
Frank E. Shepard,  
Superintendent.

July 14th, 1900,

Mr. J. L. Fletcher,  
Care, Marion Jones, Route 5,  
Bucann, Texas.

Sir:-

Replying to your note of the 10th instant, I  
have to say that the mineral contained in your ore sample  
appears to be white iron, which has no commercial value.  
The Mint does not make analyses of mineral bearing speci-  
mens.

If you desire the return of this ore, please  
send me the necessary postage at your earliest convenience.

Respectfully,



Frank E. Shepard,  
Superintendent.



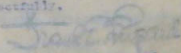
July 14th, 1900.

Mrs. J.R. Gardiner,  
Dunsmuir, Nebraska.

Sir:-

Answering your letter of the 14th instant,  
please be advised that the Mint does not make analyses  
of the kind desired by you. If you desire the return  
of your bottle of water and sand, please send me the  
necessary postage as soon as convenient.

Respectfully,

  
Frank E. Shepard,  
Superintendent.

July 14th, 1930.

Mr. Mose Linn,  
8 East Broadway, Butte, Montana.

Dear Sir:-

Referring to the 8 wts of platinum enclosed with your consignment under date of the 11th instant, I have to advise that the Mint does not purchase platinum and your metal will be returned you upon receipt of the necessary postage and insurance.

I have proceeded to treat your gold and payment will be made you promptly.

Respectfully,

Frank E. Shepard,  
Superintendent.

15th

Superintendent  
United States Mint at Denver

Denver, Colorado,

July 15th, 1930

Mr. Samuel F. Patton,

Box 162, Laramie, Wyoming.

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United States Mint, Denver, Colorado

Would like to have you call and see us in reference making a selection for  
position above stated as early as convenient.

Superintendent.

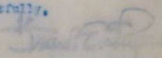
July 15th, 1936

Mr. E. L. Farr,  
Silver City, Colorado.

Dear Sir:-

Referring to your consignment under date of the 14th instant which weighs upon receipt here 3.65 Troy ounces, I regret to say the Mint does not accept deposits having a value under \$100 and it would require about four ounces more of similar material to bring your deposit up to that requirement. If it is convenient for you to send this additional gold, I would be glad to have you do so, but if not, kindly send me the necessary postage and insurance and your shipment will be returned you.

respectfully,

  
Frank E. Shepard,  
Superintendent.

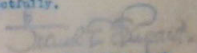
July 15th, 1930.

Akron Associated Dentists,  
56 1/2 East Market Street,  
Akron, Ohio.

Gentlemen:-

Replying to your letter of the 12th instant in reference to the barrel of sweepings forwarded by you to this institution and which in your letter of June 9th you requested be forwarded by freight collect to the Williams Gold Refiners, 2970 Main Street, Buffalo, New York, I have to advise that on June 16th the Kennicott-Patterson Warehouse Corporation of this city called at this building for these sweepings and they were requested to ship them as above stated and bill their charges to you direct.

Respectfully,

  
Frank E. Shepard,  
Superintendent.

July 18th, 1933.

The Pfeiffer Jewelry Company,  
Nixon Building,  
Corpus Christi, Texas.


Gentlemen:-

I am in receipt of your recent consignment but to date have not received a letter of advice pertaining thereto which is necessary before your shipment can be entered on our books and paid for.

All deposits to be accepted must have a minimum value of \$100 and contain not less than 500 assay parts of the precious metals out of a possible thousand. If your deposit will not meet these requirements, I would suggest that you send such additional material as may be necessary to that end.

Kindly let me hear from you at your earliest convenience.

Respectfully,

  
Frank E. Shepard,  
Superintendent.

July 15th, 1930.

Mr. John Mednikov,  
1238 Walnut Street,  
Kansas City, Missouri.

Sir:-

I have your deposit of recent date but so far have not received from you a letter of advice regarding this shipment which is necessary before your consignment can be entered on our books and paid for.

All deposits to be accepted must contain a value of not less than \$100 and have at least 200 assay parts of the precious metals out of a possible 1000. If you have any doubt regarding your deposit meeting these requirements, I would suggest that you send such additional metal as may be necessary.

Respectfully,

Frank M. Shepard,  
Superintendent.

July 17, 1930

Mr. Henry E. Sanders,  
Pinos Altos, New Mexico.

Dear Sir:

Replying to your letter of the 14th instant, I have to say that I do not believe your black sand would have any commercial value unless it contains some of the precious metals. The Mint does not deal in mineral bearing sand or ore, buying gold and silver in metallic form only in lots having a minimum value of \$100.

If you desire an assay made of your sand for gold, silver, etc., such assay can be made for you by the United States Assay Office at Salt Lake City, Utah, at a charge of \$1.00 for gold and \$1.00 for silver - money order for the proper amount to accompany your sample of which I presume one-half pound would be amply sufficient.

Respectfully,

Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent

By

*Ben Kinich*  
Acting Superintendent



July 16, 1930.

The Bank of DeBeque,  
DeBeque, Colo.

Sirs:-

As requested in your notation on my letter of the 14th instant, I have this day returned to you the box said to contain fragments of forty dollars in currency, having used the 14¢ in stamps, as follows:

Postage . . . .	12¢
Insurance . . .	10
Stamps herewith	<u>22¢</u>
	14¢

Respectfully,

*Frank E. Shepard*  
-- "Frank E. Shepard, Jr." --  
Superintendent.

F.

July 16, 1930.

Mr. H. E. Parr,  
Sugar City, Colo.

Sir:-

As requested in your letter of recent date, I have this day returned to you the scrap gold which we were unable to handle, having used the 35¢ in stamps, enclosed, as follows.

Postage . . . . .	4¢
Insurance . . . . .	.10
Stamps herewith	<u>29¢</u>
Total . . . . .	35¢

Respectfully,

*Frank E. Shepard*  
Frank E. Shepard,  
Superintendent.

July 16, 1930.

Mrs. G. C. Resseger,  
1325 Tindall Ave.,  
Trenton, Mo.

Dear Madam:-

As requested in your letter of the 14th instant, I have this day returned to you, the recent consignment of scrap gold which we were unable to handle, having used the 25¢ in postage as follows.

Postage . . . . .	13¢
Insurance . . . . .	5¢
Stamps returned . . .	11¢
Total received.	25¢

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Respectfully,

*Frank B. Shepard*  
Frank B. Shepard,  
Superintendent.


July 16, 1930.

Mr. Mose Linz,  
8 East Broadway,  
Butte, Mont.

Sir:-

As requested in your letter of the 15th instant, I have this day returned to you, the platinum which you sent with a recent consignment of gold scrap, having paid postage 1 $\frac{1}{2}$ ¢, and insurance 5¢. 10 $\frac{1}{2}$ ¢ in stamps, returned herewith.

Respectfully,

  
Frank E. Shepard,  
Superintendent.

July 18, 1930.

Mr. E. V. Lorig,  
2418-2420 N Street,  
Omaha, Nebr.


Sir:-

Receipt is acknowledged of your letter of the 16th inst. and also of the package of gold scrap sent by registered mail. After an inspection of your consignment, I am in doubt about its having a value of \$100, which is the least that can be accepted, and I would suggest that you send an additional amount to be added to what you have sent, in order that there may be no doubt about the value meeting our requirements. Should I proceed to treat your scrap, and after melting, it is found not to be worth \$100, it would be necessary to reject it, and a melting charge of \$1.00 would have to be imposed.

If you cannot send the additional amount, your consignment will be returned to you upon receipt of the necessary postage and registry fee.

Please notify me promptly as to your wishes in the matter.

Respectfully,

  
Frank E. Shepard,  
Superintendent.

July 23, 1936.

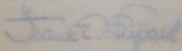
Messrs. Hauser-Miller,  
113-115 N. 11th St.,  
St. Louis, Mo.

Sirs:-

Receipt is acknowledged of your letter of the 19th instant, requesting a recheck of your deposit No. 111. The Assayer has made a recheck of this deposit, and it has confirmed the original one, on which payment was made.

I am always glad to recheck assays when requested to do so by depositors, and to correct errors should any occur. In this instance, however, it seems that you were paid the full value of your deposit.

Respectfully,



Frank E. Shepard,  
Superintendent.

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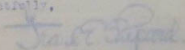
July 21, 1930.

S. Smith & Bro.,  
2412 Highland,  
Shreveport, La.

Sirs:-

As requested in your letter of the 17th instant, your recent consignment has been returned to you this day, the 40¢ postage stamps enclosed in your letter having been used as follows: Postage 3¢, Insurance 15¢, stamps returned herewith 6¢.

Respectfully,



Frank E. Shepard,  
Superintendent.

F.

July 21, 1930.

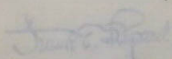
Mr. Dayton Wheat,  
107 Central Ave.,  
Great Falls, Mont.

Sir:-

Referring to your consignment of the 16th instant, which weighs a total of 1.85 Troy ounces, I have to advise you that it is too small to be accepted, as the minimum value that we can accept is \$100.00.

Upon receipt of the necessary postage and registry fee, your material will be returned to you. Please advise promptly.

Respectfully,



Frank E. Shepard,  
Superintendent.

P.



July 21, 1930.

Mr. V. C. Baker,  
Texline, Tex.

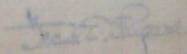
Sir:-

Referring to your consignment of recent date, I have to advise you that the least value that can be accepted, is \$100, and it appears that the material you have sent will not approximate that value.

If you can send an additional amount of similar material to bring the value up to at least \$100, the two lots can be combined and entered as one deposit. If it is not convenient to send the additional amount, your material will be returned to you upon receipt of the necessary postage and insurance fee.

Please advise promptly as to your wishes in the matter.

Respectfully,



Frank E. Shepard,  
Superintendent.

F.

July 21, 1930

Mr. Emory F. Christian  
1507 S. Third Street  
Missoula, Montana.

Sir:

Referring to your letter of recent date, and the consignment of jewelry scrap mentioned therein, I have to advise you that upon melting and assaying the material, it was found to contain a gross value of only \$79.57. As stated in my letter to you, of May 31st, last, the minimum value that can be accepted is \$100, and therefore, it is necessary to reject your deposit and impose a melting charge of \$1.00 for it.

If you can send \$25.00 worth of similar material, it can be added to the material you sent, and the two lots can be reentered as a new deposit, but the \$1.00 melting charge imposed on the rejected deposit will have to be paid in cash.

If you cannot send the additional material, your bar will be returned to you upon receipt of money order for \$1.00 and the necessary postage and registry fee.

Please advise me promptly as to your wishes in the matter.

Respectfully,

Frank E. Shepard,  
Superintendent.

July 22, 1930

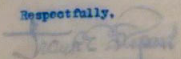
The First National Bank  
El Paso  
Texas.

Sirs:

Receipt is acknowledged of your letter of the 18th instant, directing that payment be made to the Colorado National Bank, Denver, Colorado, for your consignment No. 24428, consisting of 40,000 Mexican Pesos.

In reply, I have to advise you that our Form No. 104B which accompanied the affidavit covering this shipment, stated that payment should be made to the Federal Reserve Branch Bank, Denver, Colorado, for account of the Federal Reserve Branch Bank, El Paso, Texas, for your account, and advance payment was made accordingly, prior to the receipt of your letter.

Respectfully,

  
Frank E. Shepard,  
Superintendent.

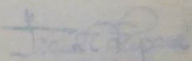
July 22, 1930.

Mrs. Jessie E. Shanks,  
Atlantic City, Wyoming.

Dear Madam:

As requested in your letter of the 15th instant, I have this day returned to you, your recent consignment, which we were unable to accept, having used the 20 cents in stamps as follows: Postage and insurance 14 $\frac{1}{2}$ ¢, stamps returned herewith 5 $\frac{1}{2}$ ¢.

Respectfully,

  
Frank E. Shepard,  
Superintendent.

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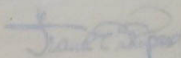
July 22, 1930.

Mr. Max Meyser,  
Omak, Washington.

Sir,

Please be advised that I have this day returned to you  
your recent consignment, which we were unable to accept, having  
used the 14 cents in stamps for postage and insurance.

Respectfully,



Frank E. Shepard,  
Superintendent.

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July 22, 1930.

Heifer Jewelry Co.,  
821 Leopard St  
Corpus Christi, Texas.

Sir:-

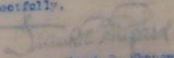
Receipt is acknowledged of your letter of the 18th instant, in answer to my letter to you of the 15th instant.

Upon melting and assaying your deposit, it was found to have a gross value of only \$90.92, which is less than the minimum of \$100 which we can accept, as stated in my letter to you. It is, therefore, necessary for us to reject your deposit, and impose a melting charge of \$2.00 on it.

If you can send enough additional similar material to be added to this consignment, to make the net value over \$100, the two lots can be combined and reentered as a new deposit, upon payment of the \$2.00 in cash. If you cannot send the additional material, your bar will be returned to you either by express, collect, or by mail, as you may direct, upon payment of the \$2.00 charges. If you wish return by mail, please send the necessary postage and insurance.

Please advise promptly, your wishes in the matter.

Respectfully,

  
Frank B. Shepard,  
Superintendent.

July 22, 1930.

Mr. L. Handler,  
525 Majestic Building,  
San Antonio, Texas.

Sir:-

I have received a consignment containing your name on the outside, but have not received any advice from you regarding it. This advice is necessary before a deposit can be entered on our books and paid for.

Please send the necessary advice promptly.

Respectfully,



Frank E. Shepard,  
Superintendent.

F.

July 22, 1930

Mr. C. V. Nordgren  
Box No. 553  
Telluride, Colorado.

Sir:

I have to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 16th instant and accompanying consignment which you state is from the Fairview Mine, situated in the Upper San Miguel Mining District.

Before this deposit can be entered upon our books and paid for it is necessary that the enclosed affidavit be furnished me in the premises, after having been duly signed and sworn to by you before the County Clerk of San Miguel County.

Respectfully,

*Frank A. Shepard*  
Frank A. Shepard,  
Superintendent.



July 22, 1930:

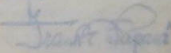
Standard Dental Laboratory,  
185 North Wabash Ave.,  
Chicago, Ill.

Sirs:-

Please be advised that I have not received any  
letter of advice from you for your recent consignment.  
This letter is necessary before your consignment can  
be entered on our books and paid for.

Your prompt attention will be appreciated.

Respectfully,



Frank E. Shepard,  
Superintendent.

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July 23, 1930.

Miss Ida M. Thomas,  
2019 Binney St.,  
Omaha, Nebr.

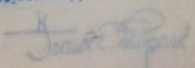
Dear Madam:

Replying to your letter of the 16th instant, I have to advise you that I do not know if any five dollar gold pieces have been coined at any of the mints this year.

Applications for new coins must be made to the Treasurer of the United States, Washington, D. C., and if you will write to him, he can tell you if the coin desired can be secured.

Regretting my inability to be of further service to you in the matter, I am,

Respectfully,



Frank B. Shepard,  
Superintendent.

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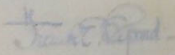
July 25, 1930.

Mountain States Telephone & Telegraph Co.,  
Denver, Colo.

Gentlemen:-

This will acknowledge the receipt of three cents in cash  
covering commissions on collections from telephone booth, Main  
9972, for the period June 12, 1930 to July 15, 1930.

Respectfully,



Frank B. Shepard,  
Superintendent.

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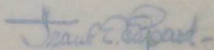
July 23, 1930.

The Goodland Building & Loan Association,  
Goodland, Kans.

Sirs:-

Replying to your letter of the 21st instant, please be advised that the Government never pays a premium on any of its coins. Coin collectors may be offering premiums on the Indian Head penny, and you may secure information by consulting some of the popular magazines.

Respectfully,



Frank E. Shepard,  
Superintendent.

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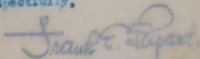
July 23, 1930.

Standard Dental Laboratory  
165 North Wabash Ave.,  
Chicago, Ill.

Sirs:-

Answering your letter of the 19th instant, relative to your consignment of grindings, and stating that the weight is 1,250 Dwt., please be advised that upon receipt here, the weight is 56.64 troy ounces. As this is a shortage of 8.65 troy ounces, I am holding your consignment until you can inform me if the weight received here is satisfactory to you. I will state in this connection that the seals were intact when your consignment was received.

Respectfully,



Frank E. Shepard,  
Superintendent.

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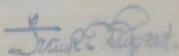
July 23, 1930.

Mr. Wm. Kieka,  
Albuquerque, N. Mex.

Sir:-

Replying to your letter of the 22nd instant, I have to  
advise you that the Mint does not sell silver of any kind.

Respectfully,



Frank E. Shepard,  
Superintendent.

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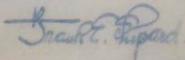
July 23, 1930.

Mr. Samuel Conatore,  
2128 E. Runtt,  
Pueblo, Colo.

Sir:-

Replying to your letter of the 16th instant, I have to inform you that the Mint does not make assays of ores, but you can have such work done for you at the United States Assay Office, Salt Lake City, Utah; and I would suggest that you communicate with that office as to the charges for the kind of assays you desire made, and also as to the samples required.

Respectfully,



Frank E. Shepard,  
Superintendent.

F.

July 24, 1930.

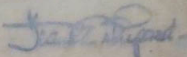
Mr. Joseph Harry Duren,  
1518 Miss. St.,  
Trinidad, Colorado.

Sir:-

The enclosed letter addressed to "U. S. Treasury,  
Denver, Colo." was delivered to this Mint by the Denver  
Post Office.

As this letter is not intended for the Mint, it is  
returned, and you should address your communication to  
the particular Bureau or Office through which you ob-  
tained the loan mentioned in it.

Respectfully,



Frank E. Shepard,  
Superintendent.

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July 24, 1930.

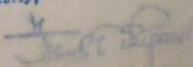
Mr. V. G. Baker,  
Texline, Texas.

Sir:-

Referring to my letter to you of the 21st instant, and to your reply of the 22nd, please be advised that your two consignments consist of rocks. The Mint does not handle such material, nor make assays of the same. Upon receipt of the necessary postage and insurance fee, your material will be returned to you.

Should you wish an assay made, you can have it done at the United States Assay Office, Salt Lake City, Utah, and I would suggest that you communicate with that office as to the cost for such assays as you wish made, and as to the samples necessary for the purpose.

Respectfully,



Frank E. Shepard,  
Superintendent.

P.

July 24, 1930.

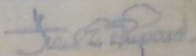
Schwartz Bros. Dental Laboratory Co.,  
Tower Building,  
St. Louis, Mo.

Sirs:-

Receipt is acknowledged of your letter of the 21st instant and the consignment of gold scrap mentioned therein. The package was in bad order--one end of the carton being broken open. The jar containing the scrap was only partly full, and had a thin sheet of wax over the top, inside the screw lid. The contents weighed 24.25 troy ounces. As your letter did not give the weight shipped, I am holding the consignment until you can inform me if the weight received here corresponds with what you sent.

Your prompt attention is requested.

Respectfully,



Frank E. Shepard,  
Superintendent.

F.

July 25, 1930

El Paso National Bank  
El Paso  
Texas.

Sirs:

I am returning herewith, your affidavit covering your consignment No. 219, consisting of 10,000 Mexican gold pesos, and your attention is invited to the fact that it does not state that the gold was purchased from residents of the United States. It is necessary that the affidavit contain such a declaration.

In addition to the present requirements, it will be necessary under recent instructions of the Treasury Department, that the affidavits covering future consignments of Mexican gold, set forth the names and addresses of the persons resident of the United States, when the gold is acquired by you in amounts over \$100, and <sup>in all cases</sup> also that it was acquired by these customers <sup>your</sup> in payment for merchandise or on account of other legitimate commercial transactions.

The above apply only to the receipt of gold from residents of the United States, and does not in any manner alter the requirements concerning gold received from residents of Mexico.

Respectfully,

Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent.

July 25, 1930.

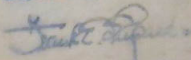
Mr. Earl L. Thompson,  
Texas Technological College,  
Lubbock, Texas.

Sir:-

In reply to your letter of the 23d instant, please be advised that this Mint has not made any gold coins this year.

Applications for new coins must be made to the Treasurer of the United States, Washington, D. C., and I would suggest that you make your application to him, and he can inform you if the 1930 Eagle coin is available for distribution.

Respectfully,



Frank E. Shepard,  
Superintendent.

P.

July 25, 1930.

Merlyn E. Alexander,  
703 13th St.,  
Boulder, Colo. *Greely, Colo.*

Sir:-

Replying to your letter of the 23d instant, I have to advise you that the Mint will purchase your gold when presented in lots of not less than \$100, and where the base metal content is not over 600 parts out of a possible 1,000. Ores containing gold are not received.

Transportation charges must be prepaid, and letters of advice must be forwarded to the Mint, regarding the deposit.

The enclosed circular will give you additional information.

Respectfully,



Frank E. Shepard,  
Superintendent.

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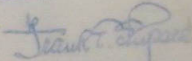
July 26, 1930.

Mr. J. F. Couchenour,  
Box 488,  
Greybull, Wyoming.

Sir:-

Referring to your letter of the 25th instant, I have to advise you that the two nuggets enclosed, seem to be brass, and of no commercial value. They will be returned to you upon receipt of the necessary postage and registry fee.

Respectfully,



Frank E. Shepard,  
Superintendent.

F.

July 26, 1930.

The Pearce Dental Supply Co.,  
3d Floor Beacon Building,  
Wichita, Kans.

Sirs:-

I have received a package with your name on the outside,  
but have not received any letter of advice regarding it. Please  
be advised that such letter is necessary before your consignment  
can be entered on our books and paid for.

Your prompt attention is requested.

A handwritten signature in dark ink, reading "Frank E. Shepard". The signature is written in a cursive style with a prominent horizontal line across the middle.

Frank E. Shepard,  
Superintendent.

P.

July 26, 1930.

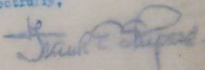
Mr. Dayton Wheat,  
107 Central Ave.,  
Great Falls, Mont.

Sir:-

As requested in your notation on my letter to you,  
of the 21st instant, I have this day returned your recent  
consignment which we were unable to accept, the 20cents  
in stamps forwarded having been used as follows:

Postage and Insurance.....10 ¢  
Stamps returned herewith 74

Respectfully,



Frank E. Shepard,  
Superintendent.

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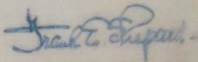
July 26, 1930.

Mr. Martin Christofferson, Jr.,  
Vale City, N. Dak.

Sir:-

As requested in your letter of the 22nd, I have returned to you today the sample of ore previously sent here, having used the 17¢ in stamps for postage and registry fee.

Respectfully,

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read "Frank E. Shepard". The signature is fluid and cursive, with a long horizontal stroke extending to the left.

Frank E. Shepard,  
Superintendent.

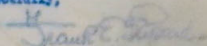
July 26th, 1930.

Mrs. Elizabeth Mudd,  
911 North Main Street,  
Williston, North Dakota.

Madam:-

Replying to your letter of recent date, I have to advise that the Mint does not deal in old and rare coins and I am unable therefore to inform you what premiums, if any, the coins mentioned by you would bear, such premiums being paid only by coin collectors and numismatic dealers.

Respectfully,



Frank E. Shepard,  
Superintendent.

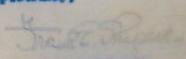
July 28th, 1930.

Mr. J.C. Grace,  
Wewoka, Oklahoma.

Sir:-

Answering your note of the 24th instant, please be advised that the Mint is not equipped to make analyses of mineral bearing rock, etc., but reliable work of this kind can be done for you by the U.S. Assay Office at Salt Lake City, Utah, at a charge of \$1.00 for gold and \$1.00 for silver determinations, money order for the proper amount to accompany your samples.

Respectfully,

  
Frank E. Shepard,  
Superintendent.

July 28th, 1930.

The Durango Trust Company,  
Durango, Colorado.

Gentlemen:-

As requested in your letter of the 25th instant, I am returning herewith the affidavit submitted by you in connection with your deposit of the above date, a copy having been retained for the files of this office.

Please also find several blanks for your use in making future shipments to this institution.

Payment for your deposit will be made you promptly.

Respectfully,

  
Frank E. Shepard,  
Superintendent.

July 28th, 1936.

Mr. Edward J. Poland,  
U.S. Veterans Hospital,  
Sheridan, Wyoming.

Dear Sir:-

I have your letter of the 22nd instant and have to advise that there are no vacancies in the Mint force at the present time which could be filled by selection from the eligible list of skilled laborers, and so far as I am aware there probably will not be any such vacancies in the near future.

As I recall your name appears on the list mentioned and should it be necessary to make any appointment therefrom I will be glad to consider your name in that connection.

Respectfully,

  
Frank E. Shepard,  
Superintendent.

July 26, 1930.

Mr. V. O. Baker,  
Texline, Texas.

Sir:-

Replying to your letter of the 26th instant, I have to advise you that the only deposits that are received by the Mint, are those containing gold and silver that have been separated from the ore or rocks containing them. Ores and rocks containing the precious metals are not received, no matter what the value may be. When writing my letter to you on the 21st instant, the fact that your consignment consisted of rocks, was not brought to my attention. Had it been, the letter of the 21st would have been similar to the one of the 24th.

As stated in my letter of the 24th instant, your rocks will be returned to you upon receipt of the necessary postage and insurance, or registry fee.

Respectfully,

Frank E. Shepard,  
Superintendent.

July 26, 1930.

Superintendent,  
United States Mint,  
Philadelphia, Pa.

Sir:-

Your non-reimbursible voucher for \$42.36 for chromium plating scale parts for this Mint, has been duly signed and is returned herewith.

Respectfully,

Frank E. Shepard,  
Superintendent.

P.

July 29, 1930

Fort Worth Smelting & Refining Co.,  
105 - East 10th Street,  
Fort Worth, Texas.

Sirs:

Receipt is acknowledged of your letter of the 24th instant and the consignment mentioned therein.

The three bars of bullion contain approximately 954 parts base, and the bar of slag and metal contains over 800 parts base. As we cannot handle bullion containing over 800 parts of base out of a possible thousand, it will be necessary for you to send at least 40 ounces of good silver to be added to the three bars, and 30 ounces to be added to the bar of slag and metal, or at least 70 ounces in all. If you can send this amount, your consignment can be accepted. If you cannot send the silver, your bullion will be returned to you at your expense. Please advise promptly.

When making shipment to the Mint, you should be certain that it does not contain over 800 parts of base, for should we proceed to treat it, and after melting and assaying, it is found to contain over 800 parts of base, it will be necessary to reject the deposit and impose a melting charge and other charges that may have been incurred up to the time of rejection.

The enclosed circular will give you additional information relative to the receipt of bullion by the Mints.

Respectfully,

Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent.



July 29, 1930.

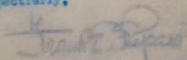
Mr. C. W. Pine,  
Salmon, Idaho.  
Box 403.

Sir:-

Referring to your consignment of the 24th instant, I have to advise you that it is too small to be accepted, as the least value we can handle is \$100, while the value of the 1.98 troy ounces in your deposit will have a value of about \$30. It will require the addition of approximately 4.50 troy ounces to make a net value of \$100. If you can send this amount, your consignment can be accepted, but if not, it will be returned upon the receipt of the necessary postage and insurance fee.

Please advise promptly.

Respectfully,



Frank E. Shepard,  
Superintendent.

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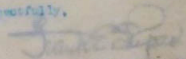
July 29, 1930.

Mellanus Jewelry & Optical Co.,  
Townsend Building,  
Casper, Wyoming.

Sirs:-

Referring to your letter and consignment of the 24th instant, please be advised that the least value we can receive is \$100, and your six buttons weigh 1.21 troy ounces and have a value of approximately \$25.00. It will require the addition of approximately seven ounces of similar material to make a net value of \$100. If you can send this promptly, the entire lot can be returned and paid for as one deposit. If you cannot send the amount asked for, your buttons will be returned to you upon receipt of the necessary postage and insurance fee.

Respectfully,

  
Frank E. Shepard,  
Superintendent.

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July 30, 1930.

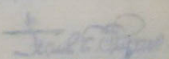
General Electric Co.,  
650 17th St.,  
Denver, Colo.

Sirs-

Attention of Mr. C. O. Hodgson

As requested in your letter of the 29th instant,  
I am returning herewith the the schedule of lamps for  
the fiscal year 1931, to which you referred.

Respectfully,

  
Frank E. Shepard,  
Superintendent.

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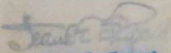
July 31, 1930

Mr. Farnum St John,  
Acting Superintendent  
Melting & Refining Department.

Dear Mr. St John:

I am in receipt of instructions from the  
Director of the Mint, under date of the 28th instant, to  
start the Refinery August 1st, and to run it at capacity  
production.

You will please take the necessary steps  
to comply with the Director's instructions.

  
Frank E. Shepard,  
Superintendent.

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July 31, 1930

The First National Bank  
Nogales, Arizona.

Sirs:

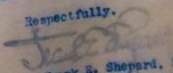
I am returning herewith the affidavits of Ramon Gota and Paulino Salaguer, covering your consignments #13411 and #13412, and attention is invited to the fact that in each, deponent states that he is merchant whose place of business is in Mexico, the former at El Fuerte, Sinaloa and the latter at Lluvia de Oro, Chihuahua. In each instance, warranty of title to the bullion, is made to the United States.

Please be advised that these affidavits cannot be accepted, as warranty of title to the United States, must be made in all instances, by parties resident of the United States.

If your bank will furnish the affidavits, setting forth the necessary facts covering bullion imported from Mexico, the names of the parties from whom acquired, and your ownership thereof and also giving express warranty of title to the United States, they can be accepted and the bullion in each consignment can be entered on our books.

Your prompt attention is requested.

Respectfully,

  
Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent.

July 31, 1930.

Pfeiffer Jewelry Co.,  
621 Leopard St.,  
Corpus Christi, Texas.

Sirs:-

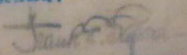
I have to acknowledge receipt of your letter of the 28th instant and the scrap gold mentioned therein.

In my letter to you of the 22nd instant, it was stated that your previous consignment had been rejected and that a melting charge of \$2.00 had to be imposed on it; also that it would be necessary for you to pay this amount in cash before your consignment and the additional amount of gold asked for, could be entered on our books and paid for.

The \$2.00 was not enclosed with your letter, and it will be necessary for you to send it before any further action can be taken.

Your prompt attention is desired.

Respectfully,

  
Frank E. Shepard,  
Superintendent.

July 31, 1930.

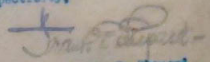
Mr. Wade H. Moore,  
Anadarko, Okla.

Sir:-

Replying to your letter of the 26th instant, stating that you have  $3\frac{1}{2}$  or 4 pounds of raw unrefined gold, and asking if we can handle it, I have to advise you that if the gold is separated from the ore, or if it is in the form of jewelry scrap we can receive it, providing it has a net value of at least \$100, and if the base content is not over one-fourth of the weight.

Before sending your material here, I would suggest that you give more definite information regarding it, also stating the source from which received, if it is gold bullion.

Respectfully,



Frank E. Shepard,  
Superintendent.

F.

July 31, 1930.

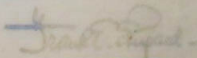
Mr. Saml. H. Myers,  
Carvin, Okla., (Genl. Delivery)

Sir:-

Replying to your letter of the 27th instant, I have to advise you that the material you sent here is what is known as pyrites of iron, and that it has no commercial value.

If you desire the rock returned, please send the necessary postage.

Respectfully,



Frank E. Shepard,  
Superintendent.

F.



July 31, 1930.

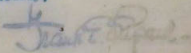
Lester M. Wickliffe,  
Pullman, Washington,  
(503 Pearl St.)

Sir:

Replying to your letter of the 25th instant, I have to advise you that if any proof coins are made, they are made at the United States Mint, Philadelphia, Pa.

All applications for new coins must be made to the Treasurer of the United States, Washington, D. C., and I would suggest that you write to him for information regarding such coins as you desire to obtain.

Respectfully,



Frank E. Shepard,  
Superintendent.

S.

August 1, 1930

First National Bank,  
El Paso, Texas.

Gentlemen:

I am returning herewith your affidavit covering your consignment No. 24580 consisting of 10,000 pesos Mexican gold coin, and have to state that under recent instructions from the Treasury Department it is now necessary that affidavits covering consignments of Mexican gold coin set forth the names and address of parties, residents of the United States, when the gold coin is acquired in amounts over \$100.00 and also in all cases "It was acquired by your customers in payment for merchandise or on account of other legitimate commercial transactions".

The above additional requirements apply only to the receipt of gold from parties resident in the United States and do not in any manner alter the present requirements concerning gold received from residents of Mexico.

If any of the gold covered by this consignment was received in amounts over \$100.00, the names of the parties resident in the United States from whom received should be set forth. If in amounts less than \$100.00, your affidavit should state so specifically.

On receipt of the amended affidavit as above, your billien will be entered on our books and paid for promptly.

Respectfully,

August 2, 1930

Mr. A. E. Albright,  
C/o Koppers' Research Corporation,  
Thackeray & O'Hara Streets,  
Pittsburgh, Pa.

Dear Sir:

Replying to your letter of July 30th, last, I have to advise you that all applications for new coins must now be made to the Treasurer of the United States at Washington, D.C., to whom you should make your application in accordance with the instructions contained in the enclosed circular, stating such coins as you desire.

In this connection, please be advised that all of our coinage prior to 1929 has been distributed. Of our 1929 coinage we have only half and quarter dollars, dimes and nickels. So far in 1930 we have coined only one-cent bronze pieces.

Respectfully,

Frank E. Shepley, Superintendent

ECF:T  
Enclosure

August 2, 1930

The Gold Dust Mining Company,  
C/o Durango Trust Company,  
Durango, Colorado.

Gentlemen:

Receipt is acknowledged of your consignment No. 2 of July 31st, last, and as this consignment weighs only 3.18 troy ounces and is valued at approximately only \$50, I have to advise you that it is too small for us to handle as \$100 is the minimum amount that may be received for purchase.

If you can send an equal amount of similar material within a short time that can be added to your present consignment, the combined lot may be entered as one deposit and paid for.

Please advise promptly.

Respectfully,

Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent

ECF:T

August 2, 1930

Mr. V. C. Baker,  
Texline, Texas.

Dear Sir:

Replying to your letter of July 31st, last, please be advised that the material you have sent here is what is commonly known as iron pyrites and has no commercial value.

If you wish these rocks returned to you, please forward the necessary postage, otherwise they will be destroyed. The two-cent stamp enclosed with your letter is returned herewith.

Please advise promptly.

Respectfully,

Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent

ECP:T  
Enclosure

August 4, 1930

Miss Belle Hersinger,  
Box 507, Ouray, Colorado.

Dear Madam:

I have to acknowledge receipt of your letter of the 2nd instant and accompanying consignment of scrap gold and have to advise that the Mint does not purchase gold in lots having a value under \$100.00 which your small consignment would no where near approximate.

Upon receipt of the necessary postage and insurance your gold will be returned you.

Respectfully,

Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent

OH:T

August 4, 1930

Dennis & Company,  
521-3 Deely Building,  
Salt Lake City, Utah.

Gentlemen:

I am in receipt of a consignment from you but to date have not received the customary letter of advice pertaining thereto which I have to request you will forward to me promptly as deposits are not entered and paid for without such a letter.

Respectfully,

Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent

OK:T

August 4, 1930

Gantt Brothers,  
201 Roberts-Banner Building,  
El Paso, Texas.

Gentlemen:

I am in receipt of a consignment from you but to date have not received the customary letter of advice pertaining thereto which I have to request you will forward me promptly as deposits are not entered and paid for without such a letter.

Respectfully,

Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent

CH:T



August 4, 1930

Fort Worth Smelting & Refining Company.  
Attention: Mr. C. Betts Yale, Manager,  
105 East 10th Street,  
Fort Worth, Texas.

Gentlemen:

Complying with your request of the 1st instant, I have  
this day returned to you by express, charges collect, the gold  
bullion forwarded by you to this institution for purchase.

Regretting my inability to serve you in this matter,

I am

Respectfully,

Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent

OH:T

August 8, 1930

Mr. H. C. Reinert,  
Box 411, Fort Morgan, Colorado.

Dear Sir:

Answering your letter of the 4th instant, please be advised that the Government never recalls any of its coinage nor pays a premium on any old coins.

Regarding your inquiry as to the truth of the rumor that Indian head pennies carry a premium of 15¢, I have to say that so far as I am aware there is no such premium unless it is being paid by some private coin collector.

Respectfully,

Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent

OH:T

August 5, 1930.

American Hard Rubber Company,  
11 Mercer St.,  
New York, N. Y.

Sirs:-

I am returning herewith your invoice covering certain hard rubber articles covered by my order No. 1 of July 9th, last, and you are requested to certify the original as per the enclosed memorandum. Upon receipt of the duly certified invoice, payment will be made promptly upon receipt of the articles.

Respectfully,

Frank E. Shepard,  
Superintendent.

F.

August 5, 1930

Mr. Farnum St. John,  
United States Mint,  
Denver, Colorado.

Dear Mr. St. John:

Pending the permanent appointment of a Superintendent of Melting and Refining, I hereby designate you as Acting Superintendent of Melting and Refining at this institution with authority to act as such in all matters pertaining to the operations of your Department.

If you have any hesitancy in accepting the amounts charged by the records of the bookkeeper as being in the custody of your Department, I would suggest that you immediately undertake such check-up as will be entirely satisfactory to you in the premises. If you are perfectly satisfied to accept such balances without further verification, I have to request that you will proceed to start operations in the refinery at the earliest possible date and to proceed with such other operations in your Department as pertain thereto.

Kindly acknowledge the receipt of this letter.

Respectfully,

Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent

OH:T

*Wm. F. Fink*

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UNITED STATES MINT AT DENVER August 5, 1930

Respectfully returned with the information that JOSEPH W. MILSON,  
above referred to, was deceased at 7:15 P.M., July 31, 1930.

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Superintendent

August 5, 1930

Mrs. D. W. Pittman,  
Utah State Agricultural College,  
Logan, Utah.

Dear Madam:

Replying to your letter of the 20th instant, I regret to say that I am unable to give you any information as to what value the two bills mentioned by you might have or the name of any firm which would probably purchase them from you. It may be that some private coin collector would be interested in these bills and I would suggest that you look through the advertising section of some of the larger magazines for the names of such parties.

Respectfully,

Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent

OH:T

Stamped envelope returned

August 7, 1930

Dennis & Company,  
521-S Dooley Building,  
Salt Lake City, Utah.

Gentlemen:

Referring to my letter to you under date of the 4th instant, I have to advise that your simple notation thereon does not comply with my request for a letter of advice covering your recent deposit at this institution.

As stated in my letter to you, the regulations require a letter of advice for each deposit and your shipment will be held until you comply with my request in this respect. I am enclosing some blanks which you may use for this purpose, however, and upon receipt of one of these properly filled out and signed by you, I will proceed to treat your deposit.

Respectfully,

Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent

By

*Frank E. Shepard*  
Acting Superintendent

CH:T  
Enclosure

August 7, 1930

Pfeifer Jewelry Company,  
621 Leopard Street,  
Corpus Christi, Texas.

Gentlemen:

I am returning herewith Cashier's Check No. 1266  
in the sum of \$2.00 payable to Charles E. Pfeifer which I  
have to request you will kindly have him endorse in order that  
it may be cashed by this institution.

Respectfully,

Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent

By

*Ben Branch*  
Acting Superintendent

OH:T

Enclosure



Denver, August 8, 1930.

Evans-Wallower Zinc Co.,  
East St. Louis, Ill.

Please confirm your bid on 6,000 pounds Evanwall Zinc  
net, delivered Denver, protected to August 9. Wire quick.

Superintendent Mint

Official business  
Charge U. S. Mint,

August 8, 1930

Mr. L. T. Stallings,  
Waterflow, New Mexico.

Dear Sir:

Referring to your letter of the 4th instant and accompanying samples of ore, I have to advise that this institution is not equipped to make analyses of mineral bearing specimens.

Your material appear to have a high content in lead and copper and possibly some gold and silver and I would suggest that you send samples to the United States Assay Office at Salt Lake City, Utah, where reliable assays may be obtained regarding the mineral content of your ore. The charges for such work will be on each sample -

\$1.00 for gold,	\$1.00 for silver
1.50 for lead,	2.00 for copper,
2.00 for zinc.	

Money order for the proper amount must accompany your samples.

If you desire the return of the samples you have forwarded here, kindly send the necessary postage.

Respectfully,

  
Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent

OH:T

August 6, 1930

Mr. C. W. Pine,  
Salmon, Idaho.

Dear Sir:

Complying with your request under date of the 2nd instant, I have this day returned to you by insured parcel post the gold ballion forwarded by you to this Mint for purchase, using the 25¢ in stamps enclosed with your letter as follows:

Postage .....	3¢
Insurance .....	10¢
Stamps herewith .....	10¢

Respectfully,

Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent

Enclosure

August 8, 1930

Mr. W. A. Watson,  
Route 1, Lake Arthur, New Mexico.

Dear Sir:

Referring to your letter of the 5th instant, addressed to the Denver Assay Office, and the samples of rock forwarded here for assay, I have to advise that this institution is not equipped to make assays of mineral bearing sand or rock. Such assays can be made for you, however, by the United States Assay Office at Salt Lake City, Utah, at a charge of \$1.00 for gold and \$1.00 for silver - money order for the proper amount to accompany your samples.

The Mint has no literature pertaining to mining for distribution.

Respectfully,

Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent

OH:T

August 8, 1930

Security Loan Company,  
North 123 Washington, Street,  
Spokane, Washington.

Gentlemen:

Referring to your shipment under date of the 5th instant, I have to advise that I am in doubt if this material will have a value of \$100.00 and contain 200 assay parts out of a possible 1000 of the precious metals owing to the large amount of filled ware contained therein.

If upon melting and assaying your deposit it is found that the value and fineness are not in accordance with our requirements, I would have to reject it and impose a melting charge of \$1.00. To save this expense and unnecessary routine, I would suggest that you forward at least \$10.00 in value in good gold and two or more good silver watch cases to increase both the value and the pure metal content of your consignment.

Respectfully,

Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent

OH:T

August 6, 1930

Mr. C. M. Bowen,  
120 East 5th Street,  
Leadville, Colorado.

Dear Sir:

Referring to your consignment under date of the 6th instant, the weight of which you state is 26 troy ounces, I have to advise that upon receipt here your deposit weighs 22.35 troy ounces.

Before I proceed to treat this gold, I would appreciate your advising me if the weight as found here is satisfactory to you.

Respectfully,

Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent

CH:T

August 8, 1930

Chain O'Mines, Inc.,  
5 South Wabash Avenue,  
Chicago, Illinois.

Gentlemen:

At the request of your office in Evanston, Illinois, I am forwarding you herewith duplicate copies of returns on your deposits at this institution, Nos. 32 and 34 to 37, inclusive.

We received two deposits numbered 32, one of which no doubt was intended to be No. 33 and I have therefore sent you the returns on the last number 32 received, none having been received under No. 33.

Respectfully,

Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent

CH:T  
Enclosure

August 5, 1930

The Director of the Mint,  
Washington, D.C.

Sir:

At the request of Mr. H. D. Coleman, Chairman of the Annual Settlement Committee at this institution for the fiscal year 1930, I am enclosing herewith original and duplicate of Forms Nos. 1068-A and 1068, same having been duly signed by me.

Respectfully,

Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent

OH:T

Enclosure



August 8, 1930

Secretary, 13th Civil Service District,  
Denver, Colorado.

Sir:

I am returning herewith Certificate No. 3758 and have to advise that after a careful review of the eligibles thereon, I have decided not to fill the vacancy existing in the guard force at this institution at the present time.

Owing to the fact that the physical qualifications of two of the eligibles (Joseph E. Jordan and Gordon Esther) render them unfit for service as guard and one (Herbert H. Leiter) cannot be found and I am in doubt as to the suitability of the remaining two (Samuel F. Patton and James H. Duncan), one of whom (Samuel F. Patton) has not complied with the Civil Service regulation in regard to notification as to change of address and who is at present located in Sacramento, California, and whose street address I cannot ascertain, I have to say that it appears to me that it will be in the interest of the Government service to call for a new examination for guard, particularly in view of the fact that in addition to the foregoing reasons the present list is over three years old.

As you are aware, it is absolutely necessary to employ

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only able-bodied and alert men on the guard force at this institution where very large values are stored and I may also say it has been my practice to fill vacancies in the operating departments from the guard in which former place only physically able men can be used.

Respectfully,

Frank W. Shepard, Superintendent

CH:T

Enclosure

DENVER

AUGUST 9, 1930

EVANS-WALLOWER ZINC COMPANY  
EAST ST LOUIS, ILLINOIS.

ACCEPT YOUR PROPOSAL SIX THOUSAND POUNDS EVANWALL ZINC AT  
SIX POINT TEN DELIVERED DENVER PRICE SUBJECT TO REDUCTION IF  
ZINC MARKET IS LOWER AS PER YOUR PROPOSAL JULY THIRTIETH AND TEL-  
GRAM EIGHTEH INSTANT. PLEASE ACKNOWLEDGE.

  
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Superintendent Mint

Official business - Government Rate  
Charge U. S. Mint, Denver.

August 9, 1930

Mr. Henry Josephson,  
Rollinsville, Colorado.

Dear Sir:

Referring to your note and consignment under date of the 7th instant, please be advised that under present regulations the Mint can only accept deposits for purchase which have a value of at least \$100.00 to comply with which condition it will be necessary to add at least twice as much as your consignment now contains. If you can do this, I shall be very glad to have you forward this additional quantity for addition thereto but if not kindly send me the necessary postage and insurance and your retort will be returned you.

Kindly advise me promptly of your wishes in the matter.

Respectfully,

  
Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent

OH:T

August 9, 1930

Public Service Company of Colorado,  
Denver, Colorado.

Gentlemen:

I am returning herewith your bill for natural gas service at this institution for the month of July in amount \$67.70 and wish to call your attention to the fact that it is not in accordance with rate schedule No. 30 attached to your proposal under date of June 7, 1930, and my letter of acceptance dated June 25th, approved by the Director of the Mint, a duplicate copy of which was promptly forwarded you for your files.

Kindly submit corrected bill for the consumption used at the rates specified in your contract, which contains no provision for a pressure correction charge, and oblige

Respectfully,

  
Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent

OH:T

Enclosure

August 11, 1930

American Metal Company,  
61 Broadway, New York City.

Gentlemen:

I have to request that you will kindly submit a proposal to furnish the United States Mint at Denver, Colorado, eighty (80) tons of original cathode copper, 99.9% pure, or better, cut 5 x 12 inches, delivered FOB Denver.

Bids will be opened at 10 A.M., Denver time, on Friday, August 15th, 1930. Immediate shipment of copper required.

Respectfully,

Frank W. Shepard, Superintendent

OH:T

August 11, 1930

American Smelting & Refining Company,  
Denver, Colorado.

Gentlemen:

I have to request that you will kindly submit a proposal to furnish the United States Mint at Denver, Colorado, eighty (80) tons of original cathode copper 99.9% pure, or better, cut 5 x 12 inches, delivered FOB Denver.

Bids will be opened at 10 A.M., Denver time, on Friday, August 15th, 1930. Immediate shipment of copper required.

Respectfully,

Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent

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August 11, 1930

Phelps-Dodge Sales Company,  
99 John Street,  
New York City.

Gentlemen:

I have to request that you will kindly submit a proposal to furnish the United States Mint at Denver, Colorado, eighty (80) tons of original cathode copper, 99.9% pure, or better, cut 5 x 12 inches, delivered FOB Denver.

Bids will be opened at 10 A.M., Denver time, on Friday, August 15th, 1930. Immediate shipment of copper required.

Respectfully,

  
Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent

OH:T



August 11, 1930

Metal Sales Corporation,  
25 Broadway, New York City.

Gentlemen:

I have to request that you will kindly submit a proposal to furnish the United States Mint at Denver, Colorado, eighty (80) tons of original cathode copper, 99.9% pure, or better, cut 8 x 12 inches, delivered FOB Denver.

Bids will be opened at 10 A.M., Denver time, on Friday, August 15th, 1930. Immediate shipment of copper required.

Respectfully,

Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent

CH:T

August 11, 1900

Mr. C. H. Joyner,  
Melrose, New Mexico.

Dear Sir:

I am in receipt of your letter of the 9th instant enclosing money order for 50¢ to cover an assay of some ore which you have forwarded here and have to advise that this institution is not equipped to do work of that kind and I am therefore returning your money order herewith.

Assays of this nature can be made for you by the United States Assay Office at Salt Lake City, Utah, at a charge of \$1.00 for gold and \$1.00 for silver, each sample. Money order for the proper amount payable to that office must accompany your samples.

If you desire the return of the ore you have forwarded here, please send the necessary postage at your earliest convenience, otherwise it will be thrown away.

Respectfully,

FRANK E. SHEPARD, Superintendent

CH:T  
Enclosure

August 11, 1930

Mr. R. T. Davis,  
Agent, Hartford Fire Insurance Company,  
Grenola, Kansas.

Dear Sir:

I have your letter of the 7th instant and in reply have to advise that this institution is not equipped to make analyses of mineral bearing rock and sand. Reliable work of this kind, however, can be done for you by the United States Assay Office at Salt Lake City, Utah, at a charge of \$1.00 for gold and \$1.00 for silver, each sample. Money order for the proper amount payable to that office must accompany your samples.

Respectfully,

Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent

OH:T

August 11, 1930

General Accounting Office,  
Washington, D. C.

Gentlemen:

Referring to your memorandum attached to Certificate No. F-15468-T, dated July 30, 1930, relative to the settlement of the Special Deposit Account, Symbol No. 15105, of this institution for the period March 1st to April 30th, 1930, in which you call attention to the over-payment of \$1.15 on Voucher No. 323 for freight deducted on 384 pounds Porter Safety Seals, please be advised that the amount of this over-payment was deposited to the credit of the Treasurer with the Federal Reserve Branch Bank of this city on July 18th, C.D. No. 3.

Respectfully,

Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent

CH:T

August 11, 1930

The Linde Air Products Company,  
910 Baltimore Avenue,  
Kansas City, Missouri.

Gentlemen:

I have your invoice under date of the 31st ultimo, in amount \$2.75 covering 220 cubic feet of oxygen furnished this institution under date of September 1, 1929, and in this connection have to request that you will kindly refer to invoice No. 361791 rendered this institution on August 29, 1929, by your local office on which you have the following items:

1 - Cylinder acetylene, 262 cu.ft. @ \$2.70 ....	\$7.07
1 - Cylinder oxygen, 220 cu.ft @ \$1.25 .....	2.75
Total	\$9.82

In payment of this invoice a check was mailed you on September 16, 1929, in amount \$10.26 - the unit price for oxygen at that time being \$1.45 per 100 cubic feet instead of \$1.25 as billed on your invoice.

Respectfully,

  
Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent

ON:T

August 11, 1930

Walker Jewelry Company,  
El Dorado Springs, Missouri.

Gentlemen:

I have your letter of the 8th instant and accompanying consignment of miscellaneous gold material and have to advise that the regulations do not permit the purchase of deposits having a value under \$100.00, under which condition your material cannot be accepted.

In regard to the mutilated half dollar, please be advised that mutilated silver coins of the United States are paid for at their bullion value only. Your half dollar under these conditions would be worth about 15¢.

With further reference to your consignment, which would probably not exceed \$30.00 in value, I should be glad to have you forward sufficient additional material to meet our requirement as to value as above stated, but if this is not convenient, kindly forward the necessary postage and insurance and your material will be returned to you promptly.

Respectfully,

  
Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent

CH:T

August 11, 1930

Mr. C. S. Krane,  
C/o Nixon Jewelry Company,  
Borger, Texas.

Dear Sir:

Referring to your consignment under date of the 8th instant weighing 48.47 troy ounces, the gold content of which weighs 1.38 troy ounces, please be advised that unless you are sure that the precious metal content of your material will have a value of at least \$100.00, I would suggest that you send enough additional material to equal that value as no deposits are received of a less amount.

Should I proceed to treat your consignment as it now stands and find that its value is less than \$100.00, it would be necessary for me to reject it and impose a melting charge of \$1.00 thereon. Kindly advise me promptly of your wishes in the matter.

Respectfully,

  
FRANK E. SHEPARD, Superintendent

CH:T

August 11, 1930

Mr. C. A. Harris,  
Bozeman, Montana.

Dear Sir:

Referring to your letter of the 9th instant forwarding a small consignment to this institution, please be advised that under present regulations only such deposits as have a value of at least \$100.00 are accepted for purchase and as the value of your consignment will probably not exceed \$25.00, I am unable to accept it.

Upon receipt of the necessary postage and insurance your gold will be returned you. Please advise me promptly.

Respectfully,

Frank W. Shepard, Superintendent

CH:T



August 12, 1930

Miss Cora Fuller,  
952 Marine Street,  
Boulder, Colorado.

Dear Miss Fuller:

I have your letter of the 10th instant and in reply regret to say that the Director of the Mint at Washington has positively prohibited for an indefinite period the receiving of visitors at this institution.

I appreciate that it would be helpful to you to witness the coinage operations here and were it not for the above inhibition would be very glad to have you conveyed through the Mint but under the circumstances it is impossible for me to comply with your request at this time.

Respectfully,

  
Frank M. Shepard, Superintendent

CH:T

August 13, 1930

Mrs. L. Gillie,  
Walsen, Colorado.

Dear Madam:

Replying to your letter of the 11th instabt, I regret to say that the regulations do not permit the purchase of deposits having a value under \$100.00 under which condition I would not be able to purchase your watch case which you state has an approximate value of \$60.00

I would suggest that you sell this watch case to some reliable jeweler in your city. If you have forwarded it here, please send the necessary postage and insurance for its return to you.

Respectfully,

Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent

QH:F

August 13, 1930

Mr. Henry Josephson,  
Rollinsville, Colorado.

Dear Sir:

I have your letter of the 11th and am today returning you by insured parcel post the two retorts recently consigned by you to this institution and which I could not accept as their value is less than the minimum amount received for purchase.

In regard to the weight of these retorts, please be advised that upon receipt here the large retort weighed 2.58 troy ounces and the small retort .93 of a troy ounce, or a total weight of 3.51 troy ounces.

Respectfully,

  
Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent

CH:T

2 $\frac{1}{2}$  stamps returned.

August 13, 1930

Mr. John Mario,  
Stark, Montana.

Dear Sir:

Receipt is acknowledged of your letter of the 9th instant and the gold dust mentioned therein. Under the Mint regulations, the least value that can be accepted for deposit is \$100.00 and as your material weighs but 2.73 troy ounces and the estimated value is less than \$80.00, I am unable to accept it.

If you can send about  $3\frac{1}{2}$  troy ounces additional, the two lots can be combined in one deposit but if you cannot send this amount within a short time, your material will be returned to you upon receipt of the necessary postage and insurance. Your prompt attention is requested.

Respectfully,

Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent

ECF:T

August 14, 1930

Farmers' Credit Company,  
Dodge, North Dakota.

Gentlemen:

In reference to your samples of mineral and ground ore which you have forwarded here for analysis, please be advised that the Mint is not equipped to do work of that kind and if you desire the return of your material, please send us the necessary postage and insurance at your earliest convenience.

I would suggest that you send samples to the United States Assay Office at Salt Lake City, Utah, where reliable determinations can be made for you at a charge of \$1.00 for gold, \$1.00 for silver, \$1.50 for lead, \$2.00 for copper and \$2.00 for zinc - money order for the proper amount payable to that office to accompany your samples.

Respectfully,

Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent

CH:T

August 14, 1930

Mr. Simon Zulevich,  
P. O. Box 371,  
Thermopolis, Wyoming.

Dear Sir:

In reference to your sample of ore which you have forwarded here for analysis, please be advised that the Mint is not equipped to do work of that kind and if you desire the return of your material, please send me the necessary postage and insurance at your earliest convenience.

I would suggest that you send samples to the United States Assay Office at Salt Lake City, Utah, where reliable determinations can be made for you at the following charges:

Gold - -	\$1.00	Silver - -	\$1.00
Lead - -	1.50	Copper - -	2.00
Zinc - -	2.00		

Money order for the proper amount payable to that office must accompany your samples.

Your money order No. 212732 for \$3.00 is returned herewith.

Respectfully,

Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent

OR:T  
Enclosure

August 14, 1930

Mr. Edward Eckardt,  
409 Washington Avenue,  
Brooklyn, New York.

Dear Sir:

I have your letter of the 11th instant enclosing two one-cent pieces for which you desire two one-cent pieces of 1922 coinage and regret to advise you that our entire stock of the latter pieces has long since been exhausted and it is not possible therefore for me to comply with your request.

Your two one-cent pieces are returned herewith.

Respectfully,

Frank M. Shepard, Superintendent

CH:T  
Enclosure

August 14, 1930

The First National Bank,  
Attention: Mr. Edward Longworth, Cashier,  
Prescott, Wisconsin.

Gentlemen:

Referring to your consignment at this institution, please be advised that the Mint is not permitted to accept deposits for purchase having a value under \$100.00 which your gold will not anywhere near approximate and upon receipt of the necessary postage and insurance it will be promptly returned you.

Respectfully,

Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent

CH:T



August 14, 1930

The Rawlins National Bank,  
 Attention: Mr. H. A. France, Cashier,  
 Rawlins, Wyoming. Longworth, Cashier,  
 Gentlemen:

I have your letter of the 11th instant at hand. Referring to your consignment at this institution, please be advised that the Mint is not permitted to accept deposits for purchase having a value under \$100.00 which your gold will not any where near approximate and upon receipt of the necessary postage and insurance it will be promptly returned you.

Respectfully,

Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent

OH:T

August 14, 1930

Mrs. Belle Herzing, ~~Frank,~~  
 Cury, Colorado. ~~A. Bruce, Cashier,~~  
~~Bank of America, New York, New York.~~  
 Dear Madam:  
 Gentlemen:

I have your letter of the 6th instant and in accordance with your request therein have delivered your bullion deposited at this institution to Carl Blaurock, ~~except deposits for purchase having a value~~ Mack Building, this city, for purchase and returns direct to you and trust that my action and the proceeds from him in payment therefor will be satisfactory to you. Mr. Blaurock had to leave the city for a few days and consequently there will be a few days delay in payment for your bullion.

I am returning herewith the stamps enclosed with your letter - the bullion having been delivered to Mr. Blaurock by the Mint messenger.

Respectfully,

Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent

OK:T

Enclosure

August 15, 1930

J. A. Samples & Company,  
220 Broadway, New York City.

Gentlemen:

Please quote me in duplicates and effective for shipment during 60 days from date your schedule of rates of payment allowed for various metals and deductions for treatment of "Mint Concentrate" from the United States Mint, Denver, Colorado, approximate total net weight 65,388 pounds, more or less (792 sacks) for the recovery of

Gold, Silver, Lead, Copper and Iron.

The lots comprising this shipment and the gold and silver values per ton in each lot are approximately as follows:

	Lot No.	APPROX. Net Weight	Approx. Value Ton	
			Gold	Silver
Refinery ....	1	5,045 lbs.	\$ 37.00	\$ 9.61
	2	2,697 "	29.56	3.04
	4	14,678 "	261.67	16.33
Ingot .....	1	9,010 "	79.16	16.76
	2	3,108 "	43.61	11.87
	3	4,717 "	1,340.06	88.43
	5	13,875 "	319.76	12.65
Deposit .....	1	3,200 "	274.60	3.11
	2	4,231 "	259.79	4.87
	3	4,656 "	640.15	10.03

Please include in your quotation deductions for moisture, insoluble, zinc, sulphur, etc., also your charge for sampling, to-

gather with terms and conditions of selection of umpire for assays of samples in case of disagreement on assays.

Separate samples and separate settlement reports are to be furnished in triplicate on each of the 10 lots of Mint Concentrate.

- 1 - Sample for your records,
- 1 - Sample to be forwarded to the United States Mint, Denver, as soon as prepared,
- 1 - Sample sealed and retained by you for the use of umpire, if necessary.

This shipment will be made on Government bill of lading - the Government paying the transportation charges.

Please name railroads which will handle this shipment, also specify your railroad destination and quote most economical freight rate on these sweeps under the classification of "Mint Concentrate" from Denver, delivered at your treatment plant, including switching and other charges incident to such shipment.

Thanking you for your attention, I am

Respectfully,

Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent

WES:G

August 12, 1930

International Smelting Company,  
Salt Lake City, Utah.

Gentlemen:

Please quote me in duplicate and effective for shipment during 60 days from date your schedule of rates of payment allowed for various metals and deductions for treatment of "Mint Concentrate" from the United States Mint, Denver, Colorado, approximate total net weight 65,386 pounds, more or less (792 sacks) for the recovery of

Gold, Silver, Lead, Copper and Iron.

The lots comprising this shipment and the gold and silver values per ton in each lot are approximately as follows:

Lot No.	Approx. Net Weight	Approx. Value Ton	
		Gold	Silver
Refinery ... 1	5,046 lbs.	\$ 37.00	\$ 3.61
	2,697 "	29.56	3.04
	14,076 "	261.47	18.33
Ingot ..... 1	9,010 "	79.16	16.76
	3,108 "	43.61	11.87
	4,717 "	1,340.03	58.43
	13,876 "	319.76	12.65
Deposit ... 1	3,200 "	274.60	3.11
	4,201	258.79	4.87
	4,666	640.15	10.03

Please include in your quotation deductions for moisture, insoluble, zinc, sulphur, etc., also your charge for sampling, etc.

gether with terms and conditions of selection of umpire for assays of samples in case of disagreement on assays.

Separate samples and separate settlement reports are to be furnished in triplicate on each of the ten lots of Mint Concentrate.

- 1 - Sample for your records,
- 1 - Sample to be forwarded to the United States Mint, Denver, as soon as samples are prepared,
- 1 - Sample sealed and retained by you for the use of umpire, if necessary.

This shipment will be made on Government bill of lading - the Government paying the transportation charges.

Please name railroads which will handle this shipment, also specify your railroad destination and quote most economical freight rate on these assays under the classification "Mint Concentrate" from Denver, delivered at your treatment plant, including switching and other charges incident to such shipment.

Thanking you for your attention, I am

Respectfully,

Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent

FEB:1

August 15, 1930

United States Smelting, Mining and Refining Company,  
Salt Lake City, Utah.

Gentlemen:

Please quote me in duplicate and effective for shipment during sixty days from date your schedule of rates of payment allowed for various metals and deductions for treatment of "Mint Concentrate" from the United States Mint, Denver, Colorado, approximate total net weight 65,308 pounds, more or less (792 sacks) for the recovery of

Gold, Silver, Lead, Copper and Iron.

The lots comprising this shipment and the gold and silver values per ton in each lot are approximately as follows.

Lot No.	Approx. Net Weight	Approx. Value Ton		
		Gold	Silver	
Refinery ..	1	5,046 lbs.	37.00	\$ 9.61
	2	2,697 "	29.86	3.04
	4	14,778 "	261.47	16.33
Ingot .....	1	9,010 "	79.16	16.76
	2	3,108 "	43.61	11.87
	3	4,717 "	1,346.03	58.43
	5	13,875 "	319.76	12.65
Deposit	1	3,800 "	274.50	3.11
	2	4,201 "	259.79	4.57
	3	4,656 "	640.15	10.03

Please include in your quotations deductions for moisture, insoluble, zinc, sulphur, etc., also your charge for sampling, etc.



gether with terms and conditions of selection of umpire for assays of samples in case of disagreement on assays.

Separate samples and separate settlement reports are to be furnished in triplicate on each of the 10 lots of Mint Concentrate.

- 1 - Sample for your records,
- 1 - Sample to be forwarded to the United States Mint, Denver, as soon as samples are prepared,
- 1 - Sample sealed and retained by you for the use of umpire, if necessary.

This shipment will be made on Government Bill of lading - the Government paying the transportation charges.

Please name railroads which will handle this shipment, also specify your railroad destination and quote most economical freight rate on these sweeps under the classification of "Mint Concentrate" from Denver, delivered at your treatment plant, including switching and other charges incident to such shipment.

Thanking you for your attention, I am

Respectfully,

Frank S. Shepard, Superintendent

FS: T



August 15, 1930

The American Smelting & Refining Company,  
Omaha Plant, Omaha, Nebraska.

Gentlemen:

Please quote me in duplicates and effective for shipment during 60 days from date your schedule of rates of payment allowed for various metals and deductions for treatment of "Mint Concentrate" from the United States Mint, Denver, Colorado, approximate total net weight of 65,368 pounds, more or less, (792 sacks) for the recovery of Gold, Silver, Lead, Copper and Iron.

The lots comprising this shipment and the gold and silver values per ton in each lot are approximately as follows:

Lot No.	Approx. Net Weight	Approx. Value Per		
		Gold	Silver	
Refinery ..	1	5,046 lbs.	37.00	9.61
	2	2,627 "	29.56	3.04
	4	14,878 "	261.47	18.33
Ingot .....	1	9,010 "	79.16	15.76
	2	3,108 "	43.61	11.87
	3	4,717 "	1,340.03	88.48
	5	13,875 "	318.76	12.65
Deposit	1	3,200 "	274.80	3.11
	2	4,201 "	288.79	4.57
	3	6,656 "	640.15	10.08

Please include in your quotation deductions for moisture, insoluble, zinc, sulphur, etc., also your charge for sampling, to-

gether with terms and conditions of selection of umpire for assays of samples in case of disagreement on assays.

Separate samples and separate settlement reports are to be furnished in triplicate on each of the 10 lots of "Mint Concentrate."

- 1 - Sample for your records,
- 1 - Sample to be forwarded to the United States Mint, Denver, Colorado, as soon as samples are prepared,
- 1 - Sample sealed and retained by you for the use of umpire, if necessary.

This shipment will be made on Government bill of lading - the Government paying the transportation charges.

Please name railroads which will handle this shipment, also specify your railroad destination and quote most economical freight rate on these sweeps under the classification of "Mint Concentrate" from Denver, delivered at your treatment plant, including switching and other charges incident to such shipment.

Thanking you for your attention, I am

Respectfully,

Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent

FES:T

August 15, 1920

The American Smelting & Refining Company,  
Leadville Plant,  
Attention: Mr. Russell Reynolds,  
Equitable Building, Denver, Colorado.

Gentlemen:

Please quote me in duplicate and effective for shipment during 60 days from date your schedule of rates of payment allowed for various metals and deductions for treatment of "Mint Consentrate" from the United States Mint, Denver, Colorado, approximate total net weight 55,338 pounds, more or less, (792 sacks) for the recovery of

Gold, Silver, Lead, Copper and Iron.

The lots comprising this shipment and the gold and silver values per ton in each lot are approximately as follows:

Lot No.	Approx. Net Weight	Approx. Value Ton	
		Gold	Silver
Refinery -	1	\$ 37.00	\$ 9.61
	2	29.56	3.04
	4	261.47	18.35
Ingot ...		79.16	16.76
	1	43.61	11.87
	2	1,540.03	58.43
	3	319.76	12.65
	5		
Deposit ...		274.50	3.11
	1	258.79	4.57
	2	640.15	10.03
	3		

Please include in your quotation deductions for moisture, insoluble, zinc, sulphur, etc., also your charge for sampling, to-

gether with terms and conditions of selection of umpire for assays of samples in case of disagreement on assays.

Separate samples and separate settlement reports are to be furnished in triplicate on each of the 10 lots of "Mint Concentrate".

- 1 - Sample for your records,
- 1 - Sample to be forwarded to the United States Mint, Denver, as soon as samples are prepared,
- 1 - Sample sealed and retained by you for the use of umpire, if necessary.

This shipment will be made on Government bill of lading - the Government paying the transportation charges.

Please name railroads which will handle this shipment, also specify your railroad destination and quote most economical freight rate on these sweeps under the classification of "Mint Concentrate from Denver, delivered at your treatment plant, including switching and other charges incident to such shipment.

Thanking you for your attention, I am

Respectfully,

Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent

FES:T

August 15, 1930

MacMannus Jewelry & Optical Company,  
 Attention: Mr. F.C. MacMannus,  
 Casper, Wyoming.

Gentlemen:

Complying with your request of the 12th instant,  
 I have this day returned to you by insured parcel post, the  
 small amount of gold forwarded by you to this Mint for  
 purchase, using the 25¢ in stamps enclosed with your let-  
 ter as follows:

Postage .....	3¢
Insurance .....	10¢
Stamps returned .....	12¢

Respectfully,

  
 Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent

Enclosure

August 15, 1930

Mr. Thomas E. Aile,  
P.O. Box 767,  
Three Forks, Montana.

Dear Sir:

Replying to your letter of the 15th instant regarding assay of sand, please be advised that this Mint is not equipped to do work of that kind. Reliable assays can be made for you, however, by the United States Assay Office at Salt Lake City, Utah, at a charge of \$1.00 for gold and \$1.00 for silver, each sample. Money order for the proper amount payable to that office must accompany your samples. I would suggest that you send a sample of eight or ten ounces.

Respectfully,

  
Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent

August 15, 1930

Walker Jewelry Company,  
Attention: Mr. H.C. Walker,  
El Dorado Springs, Missouri.

Gentlemen:

Complying with your request of the 13th instant,  
I have this day returned to you by insured parcel post, the  
small amount of gold forwarded by you to this Mint for pur-  
chase, using the 16¢ in stamps enclosed with your letter  
as follows:

Postage ..... 4¢  
Insurance ..... 8¢

Respectfully,

  
Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent



August 15, 1930

Mr. C. L. Kross,  
C/o Nixon Jewelry Company,  
Berger, Texas.

Dear Sir:

Complying with your request of the 13th instant I have this day returned to you by express, charges collect, the material forwarded by you to this institution for purchase.

Regretting my inability to serve you in this matter, I am

Respectfully,

  
Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent



August 16, 1930

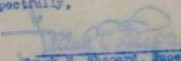
Mr. J. C. Bond,  
236 Palmer Street,  
Delta, Colorado.

Dear Sir:

I have your small consignment, weighing upon receipt here 73/100ths of a troy ounce, and have to advise that no deposits are accepted for purchase which do not have a value of at least \$100.

Upon receipt of the necessary postage and insurance the bottle containing your gold will be returned you.

Respectfully,

  
Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent

CH:T

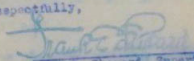
August 16, 1930

Mr. J. M. Marmett,  
Route 2, Boley, Oklahoma.

Dear Sir:

I am returning herewith the small piece of ore  
forwarded with your recent letter and have to advise that  
it is pyrites of iron and has no commercial value.

Respectfully,

  
Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent

CH:T  
Enclosure

August 16, 1920

First National Bank,  
Idaho Springs, Colorado.

Attention: Mr. Vera C. Earl

Gentlemen:

Replying to your letter of the 15th instant, I am enclosing copy of letter received under date of August 8th from the West Gold Mining Company instructing me until further notice to remit to your bank all proceeds in payment of deposits made by the West Gold Mining Company at this institution.

Referring to the retorts mentioned by you, I have to advise that it was necessary to reject one of them owing to the fact that concordant assays could not be obtained. Payment for retort, their No. 4, which was the second one of those referred to by you, has been remitted to your bank.

Respectfully,

  
Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent

OH:T  
Enclosure

August 16, 1930

Superintendent,  
United States Mint,  
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

Sir:

I have this day to acknowledge the receipt,  
by express on B/L No. T 61610, of the following United  
States coinage dies:

10 - Obverse one-cent, Nos. 411 to 430, inc.
10 - Reverse " " " 451 to 460 "
6 - Reverse " " " 471 to 476 "

Respectfully,

  
Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent

August 16, 1930

Mrs. Robert E. Hawley,  
629 East First Street,  
Casper, Wyoming.

Dear Madam:

Replying to your letter of the 14th instant, I  
have to advise that the Government does not deal in old  
coins nor pay a premium thereon. If premiums do apply  
on the coins mentioned by you, they would be paid by  
numismatic dealers and private coin collectors only.

Respectfully,

  
Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent

CH:T

August 16, 1920

Mr. F. Earle Hogue,  
Attleboro, Massachusetts.

Dear Sir:

Replying to your letter of the 15th instant, I regret to advise you that our entire stock of one-cent bronze pieces of the coinage of 1922 has long since been exhausted, and I am therefore unable to comply with your request.

I am returning herewith the coin enclosed with your letter.

Respectfully,

  
Frank W. Shepard, Superintendent

Enclosure

August 18, 1920

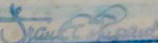
Mr. Charles H. Edmondson,  
Mercantile Bank Building,  
Cancun, Sonora, Mexico.

Dear Sir:

I am returning herewith your affidavit of the 3rd instant relative to your recent shipment to this institution and would suggest that you amend the first paragraph thereof to read that you are a citizen and a resident of the United States. This provision is now necessary in purchasing gold of Mexican origin.

Kindly return your affidavit to me at your earliest convenience after being amended and payment for your gold will be promptly forwarded you.

Respectfully,



Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent

CH:T

Enclosure

August 16, 1930

Nichols Copper Company,  
40 Wall Street, 4th Building,  
New York City, N. Y.

Gentlemen:

I wish to thank you for your response to my invitation for a proposal to furnish this institution with 80 tons original anode copper cut 5 by 12 inches, and have to advise that the award was made to the American Smelting & Refining Company at 11.275 cents per pound, delivered at Denver.

Respectfully,

Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent

By

*Dean H. H. H.*  
Acting Superintendent

CH:T



August 19, 1950

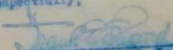
Mr. Simon Bulovich,  
Thermopolis, Wyoming, Box 371.

Dear Sir:

As requested in your letter of the 15th instant, I have this day forwarded to the United States Assay Office in Salt Lake City, Utah, the samples of recently sent by you to this institution, having used the 20/ in stamps enclosed with your letter for that purpose.

A copy of my letter to the above office is herewith enclosed.

Respectfully,

  
Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent

OK:T

Enclosure

August 18, 1930

The Rawlins National Bank,  
Rawlins, Wyoming.

Gentlemen:

As requested in your letter of the 15th instant,  
I have this day returned to you by registered mail the  
small package of gold forwarded by you to this Mint for  
purchase, using the 32¢ in stamps enclosed with your let-  
ter as follows:

Postage .....	14¢
Registry fee .....	15¢
Stamps returned .....	3¢

Respectfully,

*Frank E. Shepard*  
Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent

Enclosure

August 18, 1930

Metal Sales Corporation,  
25 Broadway, New York City.

Gentlemen:

I wish to thank you for your response to my invitation for a proposal to furnish this institution with 80 tons of original cathode copper cut 5 by 12 inches, and have to advise that the award was made to the American Smelting & Refining Company at 11.275 cents per pound, delivered at Denver.

Respectfully,

  
Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent

CH:T


August 18, 1880

Mr. J. M. Siegel,  
227 West Third Street,  
Davenport, Iowa.

Dear Sir:

I am in receipt of a consignment bearing your name on the outside but to date have not received a letter of advice from you covering this shipment - such advice being necessary before your deposit can be entered on our books and paid for as you have been previously advised.

Respectfully,

  
Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent

OK:T


August 18, 1920

Mr. G. W. Siegel,  
227 West Third Street,  
Davenport, Iowa.

Dear Sir:

I am in receipt of a consignment bearing your name on the outside but to date have not received a letter of advice from you covering this shipment - such advice being necessary before your deposit can be entered on our books and paid for as you have been previously advised.

Respectfully,

  
Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent

CH:T

August 18, 1930

Mr. O. A. Harris,  
Bosman, Montana.

Dear Sir:

Complying with your request of the 14th instant, I have this day returned to you by insured parcel post your small consignment of gold forwarded to this Mint for purchase, having used the 35¢ in stamps enclosed with your letter as follows:

Postage -----	5¢
Insurance -----	10¢
Stamps returned -----	19¢

Referring to the last paragraph of your letter I have to advise that while the Mint does not recommend outside bullion dealers, perhaps Carl Blamrock, Mack Building, or Burlingame & Parker, 1901 Lawrence Street, both in this city, might purchase your gold.

Respectfully,

  
Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent

CH:T  
Enclosure

August 18, 1930

Assayer in Charge,  
United States Assay Office,  
Salt Lake City, Utah.

Sir:

At the request of Mr. Simon Salerich, I have forwarded you this day a package of ore for analysis.

I have no doubt you will hear from Mr. Salerich in due course as to the determinations which he desires.

Respectfully,

  
Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent

O. H. - E.

August 15, 1930

American Hard Rubber Company,  
 11 Marcor Street,  
 New York, New York.  
 General Manager  
 Gentlemen:

Referring to my order No. 1 of July 9th, for certain hard rubber articles which have now been received, please be advised that I find upon opening the box one of the reducing bushings is missing, thirty nine only being received, and one half-inch straightway cock with "T" handle is broken and rendered unfit for use. Will you kindly advise me if you will replace these articles or if a deduction shall be made therefor from your invoice. Kindly let me hear from you at your earliest convenience.

Respectfully,

Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent

*Frank E. Shepard*  
 Acting Superintendent

CH:T



August 19, 1920

Mr. Ben Parry,  
Ophir, Colorado.

Dear Sir:

Referring to your consignment under date of the 16th instant, No. 2 which you state has a weight of about 64 ounces, please be advised that upon receipt here your material weighs 48.41 troy ounces and owing to the fact that it is very wet, the net weight will probably be considerably less than that.

Before proceeding to treat your consignment, I have to request that you will kindly advise me if the weight as found here is satisfactory to you.

Respectfully,

  
FRANK E. SHEPARD, Superintendent

CHS

August 19, 1930

Mr. L. W. Lipsky,  
Southwestern Novelty & Sales Company,  
910 Wyandotte Street,  
Kansas City, Missouri.

Dear Sir:

I have your letter and consignment under date of the 17th instant and note that you give the weight of your material as 9 $\frac{1}{2}$  ounces, while upon receipt here it weighs 9.25 troy ounces.

If you are confident that your material contains a value of at least \$100.00 and the weight as found here is satisfactory to you, please advise me promptly, and if the value will not equal that amount, I would suggest that you send a small additional quantity to be added thereto, in order that it will not be necessary to reject your deposit with imposition of such charges as may be necessary up to the time of its rejection.

Please advise me promptly.

Respectfully,

  
Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent

OK:T

August 19, 1930

Mr. Danson Taylor,  
108 Northern Avenue,  
New York City.

Dear Sir:

I have your letter of the 16th instant and have to advise that the first one-cent bronze pieces bearing the likeness of Lincoln were coined at this institution in 1911 and only the issues for 1929 and 1930 are now available for distribution. Should you desire some of these, the regulations require that application be made to the Treasurer of the United States at Washington, D.C., in accordance with the instructions contained in the enclosed circular.

I am enclosing a list of commemorative coins, medals, etc., which are for sale by the United States Mint at Philadelphia, all such articles being made by that Mint.

The \$1.00 bill enclosed with your letter is returned herewith.

Respectfully,

  
Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent

CH:T  
Enclosures

August 23, 1930

Judge J. C. Wiley,  
Del Norte, Colorado.

Dear Sir:

Receipt is acknowledged of your letter of the 19th instant and the small quantity of gold mentioned therein as having been forwarded under separate cover.

As your consignment consists almost entirely of amalgam, it is not in condition for us to handle and you are also advised that the least value that may be accepted for deposit is \$100.

In regard to making payments for bullion, please be advised that the Mint regulations do not permit us to issue more than one check in payment for the same deposit.

Regretting my inability to serve you in this matter and requesting that you forward sufficient postage for the return of your material, I am, very respectfully,

Respectfully,

  
Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent

WCF:T

August 21, 1920

Mr. Harry Tallmadge,  
Troy, Montana.

Dear Sir:

I have to acknowledge receipt of your letter of the 17th instant and the gold dust enclosed therewith.

Under Mint regulations the least value that may be accepted for deposit is \$100 and as your amalgam grains weigh but 1.10 troy ounces, the value is too small for us to accept.

Upon receipt of the necessary postage and insurance, your assignment will be returned to you.

Respectfully,

  
Frank E. Sheperd, Superintendent

BCF:T

August 21, 1930

Mr. V. G. Baker,  
Texline, Texas.

Dear Sir:

As requested in your letter of the 19th instant,  
I have this day returned the lots of material forwarded by you  
on different dates last month, having used 15¢ for post-  
age and am returning 12¢ in stamps herewith.

Respectfully,

  
Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent

ECF:T

Enclosure

August 21, 1930

United States Rubber Company,  
355 Valley Street,  
Providence, R. I.

Gentlemen:

Referring to my purchase order No. 36 of this date for two dozen pairs heavy, acid-proof, gauntlet rubber gloves, I regret to state that through an oversight I failed to note on the order that the sample pair submitted with your proposal of the 13th instant had been retained.

Respectfully,

  
Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent

ECF:T

August 21, 1930

Markham Jewelry Company, Inc.,  
207 East San Antonio Street,  
El Paso, Texas.

Gentlemen:

Receipt is acknowledged of your letter of the 19th instant and the 5 ounces of gold dust under separate cover.

Under Mint regulations, the least value that can be accepted is \$100 and as your consignment is less than this value, it will be necessary for you to send at least one ounce more to be added thereto, and the two lots can then be combined and entered as one deposit. If you can not send this within a short time, your gold will be returned you upon receipt of the necessary postage.

In this connection, please be advised that if this gold was produced in Mexico, it will be necessary for you to furnish certain affidavits in connection therewith before it can be entered on our books.

Please advise fully at your early convenience.

Respectfully,

  
Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent



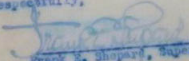
August 21, 1930

Mr. Waldo A. McCrea,  
614 First National Bank Building,  
Fort Wayne, Indiana.

Dear Sir:

Receipt is acknowledged of your letter of the 19th instant requesting certain information as to production of gold from the Gold Chief Mining Group of the Ward Mining District of Colorado. In reply I have to advise that an examination of our records shows that no bullion from any of the mining properties, nor from the individuals mentioned in your letter has been received at this Mint.

Respectfully,

  
Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent

ECF:T


August 21, 1930.

The Master Jewelers,  
520 1/2 Fifth Street,  
Sioux City, Iowa.

Gentlemen:

I am in receipt of a package bearing your name but to date have not received from you a letter of advice pertaining to this consignment. As such letter is necessary before deposits may be entered on our books and paid for, I would suggest that you write me promptly regarding this shipment when your deposit will receive our immediate attention.

Respectfully,

  
Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent

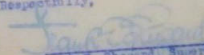
August 21, 1930

Mr. Dan Boyer,  
Cascade, Idaho.

Dear Sir:

I am in receipt of a consignment bearing your name on the outside but to date have not received from you a letter of advice covering this shipment. As such letter is necessary before deposits may be entered on our books and paid for, I would suggest that you write me at once regarding this consignment when the same will receive our prompt attention.

Respectfully,

  
Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent

ECF:T

August 22, 1930

Mr. C. J. Hutaler,  
815 Eagle Avenue,  
New York City.

Dear Sir:

Replying to your letter of the 18th instant,  
please be advised that the Denver Mint was the only one  
at which one-cent bronze pieces were coined in 1922 and  
the number struck was 7,160,000 pieces. These coins  
have long since been distributed.

Respectfully,

  
Frank W. Shepard, Superintendent

WCF:T

August 22, 1930

Mr. C. V. Nordgren,  
Telluride, Colorado. Box 558.

Dear Sir:

I am in receipt of a shipment from you but to date have not received a letter of advice pertaining thereto. As such letter is necessary before deposits may be entered on our books and paid for, I have to request that you will write me at once regarding this deposit, giving the usual information as to the mine from which produced, its location and your connection therewith.

In this connection see my letter to you of July 22nd, last.

Respectfully,

  
Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent

BOF:T

August 22, 1930

Mr. W. C. Schiberg,  
2700 East 78th Street,  
Kansas City, Missouri.

Dear Sir:

Replying to your letter of the 20th instant, please be advised that to obtain a position in the Mint it is necessary for one to pass a rigid civil service examination. There are no vacancies in this Mint at the present time nor are there any in prospect.

I would suggest that you write to the Secretary of the 13th United States Civil Service District, Post Office Building, Denver, Colorado, for detailed information, as all examinations are held by the United States Civil Service Commission.

Respectfully,

  
Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent

ECF:T

August 22, 1930

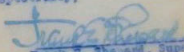
W. L. Snyder & Son,  
116 North Third Street,  
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

Gentlemen:

I am returning under separate cover the pair of heavy acid-proof rubber gloves submitted with your proposal of July 14th, last, and have to advise that the order was placed with the United States Rubber Company for a similar glove at \$27.00 per dozen pairs, FOB, Denver.

Thanking you for making a proposal, I am

Respectfully,

  
Frank W. Shepard, Superintendent

WCS:T

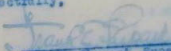
August 22, 1930

Mountain States Telephone & Telegraph Company,  
Denver, Colorado.

Gentlemen:

This will acknowledge the receipt of eight cents in cash covering commissions on collections from telephone booth, Main-3972, for the period July 15, 1930, to August 15, 1930.

Respectfully,

  
Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent

ECF:T



August 22, 1930

Mr. John Gonyea,  
Telluride, Colorado. Box. 132


Dear Sir:

I have received your letter of the 19th instant and the consignment mentioned therein. A preliminary examination of material shows it to consist largely of zinc and whether it contains any gold or silver can only be determined by a careful assay.

As your material is not in condition for us to handle, it will be returned to you upon receipt of the necessary postage and registry or insurance fee.

If you wish a reliable assay made of this material, I would suggest that you communicate with the United States Assay Office at Salt Lake City, Utah, as to costs, etc.

Respectfully,

  
Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent

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August 22, 1930

Mr. John Mario,  
Stark, Montana.

Dear Sir:

As requested in your letter of the 17th instant, I have this day returned the consignment of gold dust which was too small for us to handle, having used 16¢ of the postage enclosed with your letter and an returning one-cent stamp herewith.

Respectfully,

  
Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent

ECF:Y

August 23, 1930

The Colorado Rubber Company,  
1515 Waseo Street,  
Denver, Colorado.

Gentlemen:

I am returning herewith the sample pair of heavy acid-proof rubber gloves submitted with your proposal of July 10th, last, and have to advise you that the order was placed with the United States Rubber Company for a similar glove at \$27.00 per dozen pairs, FOB Denver.

Thanking you for making a proposal, I am

Respectfully,

  
Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent

ECF:7

August 23, 1930

Mr. J. C. Read,  
236 Palmer Street,  
Delta, Colorado.

Dear Sir:

As requested in your letter of the 21st instant,  
I have this day returned to you the small amount of gold  
forwarded by you to this Mint for purchase, having used  
the 12¢ in postage enclosed with your letter as follows:

Postage .....	12¢
Insurance .....	0¢
Stamps returned .....	21¢

Respectfully,

  
Frank V. Shepard, Superintendent

Enclosure

August 25, 1920

M. L. Snyder & Son,  
116 North 3rd Street,  
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

Gentlemen:

Replying to your letter of the 19th instant,  
please be advised that the sample pair of rubber gloves  
submitted with your proposal of July 14th was returned  
to you yesterday of which you were notified by letter.

Respectfully,

  
Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent

ECF:T

August 25, 1936

Federal Reserve Bank,  
Dallas, Texas.

Gentlemen:

Receipt is acknowledged of your letter of the  
21st instant and of the value of metal particles that were  
supposed to be gold dust. An examination of this material  
shows it to consist of brass filings and of no commercial  
value. It is being returned to you under separate cover.

Respectfully,

  
Frank E. Rogers, Federal Reserve Bank

ENCLOSURE

August 25, 1930

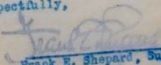
Mr. J. M. Talmadge,  
152 Halsey Street,  
Brooklyn, New York.

Dear Sir:

Replying to your letter of the 21st instant,  
please be advised that all applications for new coins must  
be made to the Treasurer of the United States, Washington,  
D.C., as per the enclosed circular.

In this connection I have to state that all of  
our coins prior to last year have been distributed. Of  
these we have quarters, dimes and nickels. Of this year's  
coinage we have one-cent bronze pieces.

Respectfully,

  
Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent

ECF:T

Enclosure

August 25, 1930

Mr. W. L. Bowlin,  
Baird, Texas.

Dear Sir:

Replying to your letter of the 22nd instant, please be advised that all applications for new coins must be made to the Treasurer of the United States, Washington, D.C., as per the enclosed circular. If proof coins are made at all, they are made at the United States Mint at Philadelphia.

In this connection I have to state that all of our coins prior to last year have been distributed. Of these we have quarters, dimes and nickels. Of this year's coinage we have one-cent bronze pieces.

Respectfully,

  
Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent

ECF:T

Enclosure



August 25, 1930

Mr. Albert A. Leach, E.M.  
Tyrone, New Mexico.

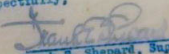
Dear Sir:

Replying to your letter of the 21st instant, please be advised that the Mint will receive for purchase gold when presented in lots of not less than \$100 and where the base content is not more than 800 parts out of a possible 1000.

I am enclosing a circular which will give you information relative to refining charges which as you see are graduated according to the fineness of the metal.

I am also enclosing a circular pertaining to the receipt of deposits at the Mint.

Respectfully,

  
Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent

ECF:T

Enclosures

August 25, 1930

Mr. Mike Vasek,  
C/o Frank Fary, Route 1,  
Marion, Kansas:

Dear Sir:

Replying to your letter of the 21st instant, please be advised that the Mint is not equipped to make assays of ore but you can have this work done for you by the United States Assay Office at Salt Lake City, Utah, and I would suggest that you communicate with that office stating specifically the kind of assays you wish made, and prices for same.

If you wish the sample of ore you have forwarded here returned to you, please send the necessary postage.

Respectfully,

  
Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent

ECF:T

August 25, 1930

Judge Jesse C. Wiley,  
Del Norte, Colorado.

Dear Sir:

As requested in your letter of the 21st instant,  
I have this day returned to you by insured parcel post  
the small quantity of amalgam forwarded by you under date  
of the 19th instant, having used the 51¢ in postage en-  
closed with your letter as follows:

Postage .....	8¢
Insurance .....	25¢
Special handling .....	10¢
Stamps returned .....	8¢

Respectfully,

  
Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent

ECF:T

Enclosure

August 25, 1930

Mr. J. M. Morency,  
3446 Janssen Avenue,  
Chicago, Illinois.

Dear Sir:

Receipt is acknowledged of your letter of the 22nd instant inquiring about shipments of gold bullion to this Mint by the West Gold Mine. In reply I have to advise that the transactions between the Mint and its customers are of a confidential nature and the information you ask for cannot be furnished without the consent of the company. If the company will authorize us to give you this information, we will be glad to do so.

Respectfully,

  
Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent

August 25, 1920

A. F. Jensen & Company,  
821-2 First National Bank Building,  
Omaha, Nebraska.

Gentlemen:

I am in receipt of a package bearing your name on the outside but to date have not received a letter of advice concerning same. As such letter is necessary before deposits may be entered on our books and paid for, I have to request that you will write me at once regarding this shipment.

Respectfully,

  
Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent

August 28, 1930

J. L. Jacobsen Company,  
626 World Herald Building,  
Omaha, Nebraska.

Gentlemen:

I have received your letter of recent date and the bar of gold which you state weighs 360 pennyweights. This is equivalent to 18.45 troy ounces, while your bar weighed upon receipt here 17.45 troy ounces.

As your consignment consists of but one bar and the seals were intact when delivered by the express company, it would seem that you may have made a mistake in your computation. However, I am holding your bar until you notify us that our weight is satisfactory to you.

Respectfully,

  
Frank M. Shepard, Superintendent

BCF:T

August 25, 1930

Mr. Silas Thomas,  
Jenkins, Kentucky.

Dear Sir:

I am in receipt of a package of rock bearing your name and address but to date have received no letter of advice pertaining to same.

Please be advised that the Mint does not make assays of material of this kind, but such work can be done for you by the United States Assay Office at Salt Lake City, Utah, and I would suggest that you write that office stating the kind of assays you wish and asking for the cost of same.

If you wish the rock you have forwarded here returned to you, please send the necessary postage.

Respectfully,

  
Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent

ECF:T

August 25, 1930

Mr. Angel Moreno,  
Mesquit, Via Dos Cabezas,  
Arizona.

Dear Sir:

I have received your letter of the 23rd instant and the retorts and grains of gold forwarded under separate cover and have to advise that this consignment is too small for us to handle as our minimum value is \$100. This material will be returned to you upon receipt of the necessary postage and insurance.

Respectfully,

  
Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent

BCF:T



August 25, 1930

Dr. A. W. Swanson,  
312 Paulsen Building,  
Spokane, Washington.

Dear Sir:

I am in receipt of a package bearing your name and address on the outside but to date have not received from you a letter of advice pertaining thereto. As such letter is necessary before deposits may be entered on our books and paid for, I have to request that you will write me promptly regarding this shipment.

Respectfully,

  
Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent

August 27, 1930

Dr. C. G. Steen,  
Scottsbluff, Nebraska.

Dear Sir:

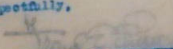
Receipt is acknowledged of your letter of the 25th instant and of the upper denture with gold base by registered mail.

Under the Mint regulation, the least value we may accept for deposit is \$100, and if you can send enough additional material to make this value, the two lots can be combined and paid for as one deposit.

If you cannot send this additional material within a short time, your consignment will be returned upon receipt of the necessary postage and registration fee.

Your prompt attention is requested.

Respectfully,

  
Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent

ECF:T

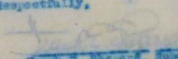
August 27, 1930

American Smelting & Refining Company,  
Attention: Mr. R. F. Reynolds,  
Equitable Building, Denver.

Gentlemen:

As requested in your letter of the 26th instant,  
I am returning herewith duly signed two copies of the con-  
tract for 160,000 pounds cathode copper, having retained  
one copy for our files.

Respectfully,

  
Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent

ECF:T

Enclosure

August 27, 1930

Farmers Credit Company,  
Dodge, North Dakota.

Gentlemen:

As requested in your letter of the 21st instant, I have this day returned to you samples of mineral and ground ore forwarded by you to this Mint, having used the 40¢ enclosed with your letter as follows:

Postage .....	20¢
Registry fee .....	15¢
Stamps returned .....	5¢

Respectfully,

  
Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent

Enclosure

August 27, 1930

Mr. John Goryup,  
Telluride, Colorado. Box 132

Dear Sir:

I am in receipt of your letter of recent date in answer to my letter of the 22nd instant regarding the material you sent here, which seems to be practically all zinc.

While the Mint does not recommend any assayers nor assume any responsibility for their action, I may say that J. W. Richards & Son, 1118 Nineteenth Street, and Barlingame & Parker, 1901 Lawrence Street, both in this city, are reliable assayers and they may be able to handle this material for you. If you wish it delivered to either of them, please notify me by letter; or if you wish the material returned to you, please forward 55¢ in postage as the Mint has no fund from which to make such payment. Any unused portion of what you may send will be returned to you.

Respectfully,

  
Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent

ECF:T

August 28, 1930

Mr. C. V. Nordgren,  
Telluride, Colorado. Box 558

Dear Sir:

I have received your letter of the 26th instant in answer to mine of the 22nd. In my letter you were asked to state the mine from which the bullion was produced but in your letter you state only "it is from the Fairview mine".

I am enclosing one of our Production Source of Bullion Deposit cards which you will please fill out and return. I wish you to state specifically that this bullion was produced and originated in the Fairview Mine.

Your prompt attention is requested.

Respectfully,

  
Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent

ECF:T

Enclosure

August 28, 1930

Mrs. E. E. Logan,  
Wagoner, Arizona.

Dear Madam:

Replying to your letter of the 25th instant, please be advised that the Mint does not accept amalgam but we can receive it after the mercury has been driven off or in the form of retorts when presented in amounts not less than \$100. Shipments may be made either by express, charges paid, or by mail as you prefer. Payments are usually made the second or third day after receipt of the bullion. Your consignment should be accompanied by a letter of advice stating the name of the mine from which produced and your connection therewith.

The enclosed circular will give you additional information in regard to shipments of bullion and its receipt by the Mint.

Respectfully,

  
Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent

ECF:G  
Enclosure


August 28, 1930

Quaker City Rubber Company,  
Wissinoming, Philadelphia, Pa.

Gentlemen:

I am returning herewith original and one copy of Government bill of lading No. T-42904 used in shipping 50 feet of steam hose on my order No. 25 of August 11, 1930, and I have to request that you will have the transportation company sign them in the proper place and insert the date of shipment, after which kindly return them promptly to this office.

Respectfully,

  
Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent

ECF:T

Enclosure



August 28, 1930

Mr. E. L. Lemley,  
Atlantic City, Wyoming.

Dear Sir:

Receipt is acknowledged of your letter of the 25th instant and the small consignment of gold mentioned therein. From an examination of this material, it seems that its value does not equal \$100, which is the minimum that can be accepted for deposit.

If you can send an additional ounce or more of the better grade of gold to be added to your previous consignment, the two can be combined and entered as one deposit. If you cannot forward this within a short time, your bullion will be returned to you upon receipt of the necessary postage and insurance.

Your prompt attention is requested.

Respectfully,

  
Frank W. Shepard, Superintendent

EF:T

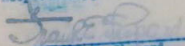
August 29, 1930

Mr. E. Lynch,  
139 North Grant,  
Casper, Wyoming.

Dear Sir:

Replying to your letter of the  
28th instant, please be advised that the  
Government does not recall any of its coins  
nor pay any premium on them.

Respectfully,

  
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Frank H. Shepard,  
Superintendent

RCF:T

August 30, 1930


Dr. C. C. Steen,  
Scottsbluff, Nebraska.

Dear Sir:

As requested in your letter of the 29th instant,  
I have this day returned to you by registered mail the up-  
per denture forwarded by you to this Mint for purchase, using  
the 25¢ in stamps enclosed with your letter as follows:

Postage.....	10¢
Registration .....	15¢

Respectfully,

  
Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent

September 2, 1930

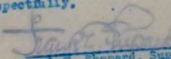
National Carbon Company, Inc.,  
551 West Monroe Street,  
Chicago, Illinois.

Gentlemen:

I am returning herewith your proposal dated August 30th, last, and attention is called to the fact that it is not signed. The title of the party signing for the firm should also be written after his name.

Your prompt attention is requested.

Respectfully,

  
Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent

ECF:T

Enclosure

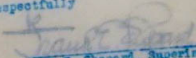
September 2, 1930

Mr. John B. Andreatta,  
Hollinsville, Colorado.

Dear Sir:

Replying to your letter of August 31st, I have to advise you that as your retorts weigh but 5.36 troy ounces, the addition of at least  $1\frac{1}{2}$  ounces of similar material is required to make a value of \$100, which is the least we can accept for deposit. If you can forward this additional material within a short time, the two lots can be combined, otherwise your retorts will be returned to you upon receipt of the necessary postage and registry fee.

Respectfully

  
Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent

ECF:T

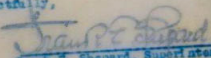
September 2, 1930

Commonwealth Bank,  
Green River, Utah.

Gentlemen:

With reference to your recent consignment, please be advised that the least value we can accept for deposit is \$100, and as your retorts weigh but 3.97 troy ounces, it will require the addition of about 2½ ounces of similar material to make \$100. If you can forward this additional material within a short time, the two lots can be combined as one deposit; if not, the retorts will be returned you by registered mail upon receipt of the necessary postage and registry fee.

Respectfully,

  
Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent

BCP:T

September 2, 1930

Mr. George Horton,  
Lusk, Wyoming.

Dear Sir:

Replying to your letter of August 30th, last,  
please be advised that the Mint does not handle ores of  
any kind, and the only parties I could suggest who might  
be interested in your rose quartz would be some large com-  
mercial smelter - perhaps the American Smelting & Refining  
Company, Denver, Colorado, could handle it.

Respectfully,



Frank E. Shepard  
Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent

ECF:T

September 3, 1930

Mr. Samuel Lewis,  
73 Barclay Street,  
New York, N. Y.


Dear Sir:

Enclosed please find check No. 3093 for \$6.35 in payment for 24 cuspidor brushes on my order No. 25, dated August 13, 1930.

If you will refer to the order you will see that you were requested to ship by parcel post and charge the postage paid as a separate item on the invoice. Instead of shipping as requested, you shipped by express prepaid.

As you are doubtless aware, when shipment is made by express at the expense of the Government, it must be made on government bill of lading and the charges are collected by the express company. I regret very much that you did not make shipment by parcel post as requested as we are unable to reimburse you on this voucher for the express charges paid.

Respectfully,

  
Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent

ECF:T  
Enclosure



September 3, 1930


Mrs. Jack Medding,  
Kane, Wyoming.

Dear Madam:

In answer to your letter of August 30th, last, please be advised that the Mint does not make assays of ore. Such work can be done for you by the United States Assay Office at Salt Lake City, Utah, and I would suggest that you write that office stating the kind of assays you wish made and asking for prices therefor.

I would say that the sample you sent here seems to be mica ore and does not contain any of the precious metals. If you wish it returned to you, please forward the necessary postage.

Respectfully,

  
Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent

ECF:T

September 3, 1930

Mr. Angel Moreno,  
Mascot, Arizona.  
Via Dos Cabezas.

Dear Sir:

Complying with your request of the 29th ultimo,  
I have this day returned to you the small amount of gold  
forwarded by you to this Mint for purchase, using the 10¢  
enclosed with your letter for postage.

Respectfully,

  
Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent

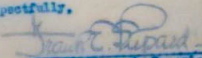
September 3, 1930

Mr. T. L. Bruckner,  
Jerome, Idaho, U.S.A.

Dear Sir:

Replying to your letter of August 28th, last,  
please be advised that if there is a premium on the Col-  
umbian Exposition half dollar, it is paid by coin col-  
lectors whose advertisements you will find in the adver-  
tising section of the leading magazines.

Respectfully,

  
Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent

ECF:1

Enclosure

September 3, 1930

Fidelity & Deposit Company of Maryland,  
Security Building, Denver.

Gentlemen:

Please be advised that Mr. Walter P. Bowen, who  
carried a bond of \$5000 with you as Exam Assayer at this  
institution, retired from Government service effective  
September 1, 1930.

Respectfully,

  
Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent

BCF:T

September 3, 1930

Miss Phyllis Morgan,  
2032 Bolles Avenue,  
Topeka, Kansas.

Dear Miss Morgan:

Replying to your letter of the 1st instant, please be advised that the Government does not call in any of its coins which, of course, includes the Columbian quarter dollar authorized in 1893 of which 40,023 we issued.

Respectfully,

  
Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent

ECF:T

September 3, 1930

Dr. J. E. Bennett,  
201 1/2 North Main Street,  
Mitchell, South Dakota.

Dear Sir:

Referring to your letter of August 28th, last, and your consignment by express, I have to advise you that this consignment contains some platinum pins for which the Mint does not make any allowance. If you are willing to waive payment for the platinum, please advise me.

I will also state that the value of this consignment may not be \$100, which is our minimum, and if you can send an additional amount, one-half ounce or more, to be added thereto, there will be no question about meeting our requirements.

Respectfully,

  
Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent

EDP:T

September 3, 1930

Mrs. Millie J. Milson,  
1100 Monroe Street,  
Denver, Colorado.

Dear Mrs. Milson:

I have to acknowledge receipt of your letter of the 1st instant asking for a copy of "Application for Payment of Accumulated Deductions" made from the salary of Mr. Milson.

It will be necessary to secure these forms from Washington which will cause a delay of a few days but as soon as they are received a copy will be forwarded to you promptly.

Respectfully,

  
Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent

BCF:t

September 4, 1930

Mr. D. W. Smith,  
Pipestone, Minnesota.


Dear Sir:

I have received a consignment of scrap jewelry from you but have not received a letter of advice concerning it. Such letter is necessary before we can enter your deposit on our books and I would appreciate hearing from you promptly.

This consignment consists of two boxes of gold scrap, weighing 20.76 troy ounces, and one box of filled scrap, weighing 73.82 troy ounces. The first item seems to be of sufficient value and fineness for us to accept but if the filled scrap is added to it, the fineness will be reduced so that there will be more than 800 parts out of a possible 1000 of base metal. If you can send 10 ounces or more of solid silver, there will be over 200 parts of the precious metals and the entire lot can be handled.

If you cannot send this additional material, we can accept the 20.76 ounces, returning the filled scrap to you at your expense. Please advise promptly.

Respectfully,

  
Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent



September 5, 1930

Superintendent,  
United States Mint,  
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania

Sir:

I have to acknowledge the receipt this day of  
150 pairs asbestos mitts and 150 pairs carpet mitts, shipped  
on bill of lading No. T-61616, dated August 25, 1930.

Non-reimbursable voucher for \$425.00 has been  
duily signed and is returned herewith.

Respectfully,

  
Frank M. Shepard, Superintendent

ECF:T  
Enclosure

September 5, 1930

Mr. Frank Padilla,  
Golden, New Mexico.

Dear Sir:

I have to acknowledge receipt of your letter of recent date and the placer gold mentioned therein. This consignment weighs but 1.90 troy ounces and I regret that it is too small for us to handle - our minimum requirement being \$100.

It will require the addition of about 6½ or 7 ounces of similar material to make a value of \$100 and if you can send this within a short time, the entire lot can be combined as one deposit. If you cannot send this additional material, your deposit will be returned upon receipt of the necessary postage and insurance.

Respectfully,

  
Frank W. Shepard, Superintendent

WFS:T

Enclosing circular.

September 5, 1930

Mr. John Goryun,  
Telluride, Colorado. Box 132

Dear Sir:

As authorized in your letter of August 29th, last, I have delivered to Burlingame & Parker, 1901 Lawrence Street, Denver, your consignment of sir which we were unable to handle. You will no doubt hear from them directly within a short time.

Respectfully,

  
Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent

ECF:T

September 6, 1930

Ehrhardt & Company,  
Chicago, Illinois. 130 North State Street.

Gentlemen:

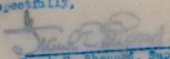
Receipt is acknowledged of your letter of the 2nd instant and also your consignment of scrap gold by express.

I note you state that there is a platinum content in some of this material. Please be advised that the Mint makes no allowance for platinum contained in deposits and if you wish to waive payment therefor, we can proceed to treat your material.

It appears that separate returns can be made without additional expense on each of the lots as requested by you.

Your prompt attention will be appreciated.

Respectfully,

  
Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent

ECF:T

September 8, 1930

Mr. Sam Kratz,  
Minneapolis, Minnesota.

Dear Sir:

I have received your letter of the 9th instant asking for information about the purchase of gold by the Mint and have to say in reply that the Mint will purchase your solid gold scrap when presented in lots having a value of not less than \$100. The Mint will also buy filled ware when it is accompanied by at least one-fourth of its weight in solid silver and where the value is \$100 or more.

The Mint does not deal in old coins or currency, nor the other articles mentioned by you, nor have we any information as to their value.

In making shipments to the Mint, all transportation charges must be prepaid, and it may be shipped either by express or mail, as you prefer.

The enclosed circular will give you additional information.

Respectfully,

Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent.

ECF:T  
Stamps returned

By

*W. E. [Signature]*  
Acting Superintendent.

September 8, 1930

Dixon Crucible Company,  
Jersey City, New Jersey.

Gentlemen:

Receipt is acknowledged of your letter of the 2nd instant asking for additional information in regard to the brushes covered by my request of August 27th, last.

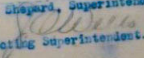
We have located an old brush of your manufacture, which I am enclosing, and I am also forwarding one of the fan brushes 2" x 1/4" x 1/4" from which you will note the quality that we require.

Trusting that this information will enable you to give us price on the article in question, I remain

Respectfully

Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent.

ECF:T

By  Acting Superintendent.

September 8, 1930

Mr. Joe Brennan,  
Malta, Montana.

Dear Sir:

I have received your letter of the 3rd instant and also the package which you state contains gold dust and nuggets.

A preliminary test of your material shows that the dust does not contain any value in gold and silver and the 4 small nuggets, weighing 1.39 troy ounces, are too small for us to accept - our minimum value being \$100.

If you desire this material returned to you, please forward the necessary postage and insurance.

Respectfully,

Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent

ECF:T

By

*[Signature]*  
Acting Superintendent.

September 6, 1930.

Smith-Sherlock Co.,  
South Pass City, Wyoming.

Sirs:-

I have received your consignment consisting of two buttons, forwarded on the 4th instant by registered mail. The least value we can accept is \$100, and on the basis of your last shipment the value of this consignment is about \$75.00, and it will require the addition of about three ounces of similar material to make a value of at least \$100. If you can send this in a short time, the two lots can be combined in one deposit. If you cannot do this, your consignment will be returned to you upon receipt of the necessary postage and registry fee. Your prompt attention is requested.

The enclosed circular will give you additional information in regard to the receipt of deposits at the Mints.

Respectfully,

F.

Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent

By

*J. C. Smith*  
Acting Superintendent.



September 8, 1930

United States Rubber Company,  
P. O. Box 1453, Providence, R. I.

Gentlemen:

I am returning herewith your invoice No. 14044, dated the 3rd instant, covering 1 - 11/12 dozen pairs of heavy acid-proof rubber gloves, and also your invoice No. 13481 of August 18th, last, covering 1 sample pair of gloves. Please note that invoice No. 14044 is not certified.

I would suggest that you bill the 2 dozen pairs on one invoice, inasmuch as the invoice for the one pair was made before the order was placed with you. Please certify this invoice in the usual way at your early convenience and return it. Prompt payment will be made upon its receipt.

Respectfully,

Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent.

By

*[Signature]*  
Acting Superintendent.

ECF:T

Enclosure

September 9, 1930

Superintendent,  
United States Mint,  
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

Sir:

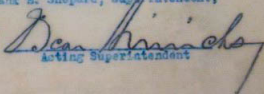
I have to acknowledge receipt this day of 18  
one-cent collars for the large presses shipped by you  
on the 4th instant on bill of lading No. T-61613.

Your non-reimbursable voucher in the amount of  
\$74.70 has been duly signed and is returned herewith.

Respectfully,

Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent,

By

  
Acting Superintendent

BCT:T  
Enclosure

September 9, 1930

Mrs. Orono U. Myer,  
Lowiston, Utah.

Dear Madam:

Replying to your note of the 7th instant, please  
be advised that the Mints do not deal in old coins nor pay  
a premium thereon - such premiums being paid by private  
coin collectors and numismatic dealers.

Respectfully,

Frank C. Shepard, Superintendent

To *Dean H. Nichols*  
Acting Superintendent

OH:E

September 10, 1930.

American Brush Co.,  
334 Bway,  
New York, N. Y.

Sirs:-

I am returning herewith your invoice for the 12 varnish brushes covered by my order No. 44, dated August 26, last.

When making out the purchase order, an error was made in describing the brushes, and the item number was given as 6120 (1)(2)(cc) while the price was for item No. 6120 (1)(2)(bb), which is for  $1\frac{1}{2}$ " brushes. The brushes received are the  $1\frac{1}{2}$ " ones, and they are satisfactory.

Please note that there is not any quantity discount on item 6120 (1)(2)(bb), and that the 10 day discount is  $\frac{1}{2}$  of 1%, instead of 2%. The correct amount would seem to be \$2.01.

Kindly make corrected invoice in duplicate with the original certified, and upon its receipt payment will be made promptly.

Respectfully,

Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent

By *Frank E. Shepard*  
Acting Superintendent.

P.

September 10, 1930

First National Bank,  
Montrose, Colorado.

Gentlemen:

I am in receipt of your letter of the 9th instant and accompanying button of gold weighing 1.46 troy ounces and regret to advise you that I cannot accept this deposit owing to the fact that the regulations require that deposits to be acceptable for purchase must have a minimum value of \$100.00.

Upon receipt of the necessary postage and insurance, your button will be returned you.

Respectfully,

Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent

By

*D. E. Hirsch*  
Acting Superintendent

CH:T

September 10, 1930

Mr. L. Gaskin,  
5722<sup>d</sup> McPherson,  
St. Louis, Missouri.

Dear Sir:

Referring to your consignment under date of the 8th instant which you state weighs  $140\frac{1}{2}$  ounces with an approximate value of \$200.00, please be advised that your gold lot in this shipment weighs 12.03 troy ounces and your filled were 113.95 troy ounces making a total of 125.98 ounces instead of  $140\frac{1}{2}$  ounces as weighed by you.

Your package was received intact and no doubt you have made a mistake in your weight, but before proceeding to treat your deposit I thought it proper to call your attention to this discrepancy in weight and have to request that you will kindly advise me promptly if the weight of 125.98 troy ounces is satisfactory to you.

Respectfully,

Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent

By

*Dean Minich*  
Acting Superintendent

OH:T

September 11, 1930

Mr. E. F. Lemley,  
Atlantic City, Wyoming.

Dear Sir:

Referring to your letter of the 6th instant forwarding some gold which weighed upon receipt here 2.90 troy ounces for addition to your previous consignment, please be advised that in order to give you the value of your two lots separately each one would have to be melted and assayed as individual deposits and charges imposed accordingly. I have therefore proceeded to add this second shipment to the first lot and payment for the combined lots will be forwarded you promptly.

Respectfully,

  
Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent

CH:T

September 11, 1930

Commercial National Bank,  
Bozeman, Montana.

Gentlemen:

In reference to your deposit under date of the 8th instant which you state in your letter of advice consists of a bar of gold bullion weighing 16 ounces, please be advised that upon receipt here your bar weighs 12.20 troy ounces. As this is a considerable discrepancy from the weight stated by you, I have to request that you will kindly advise me promptly if the weight as found here is satisfactory to you.

Respectfully,

  
Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent

CH:T



September 11, 1930

Mr. F. L. Harger,  
873 Tonawanda Street,  
Buffalo, New York.

Dear Sir:

Replying to your letter of the 6th instant, I  
would suggest that you write to the Superintendent of  
the United Mint at Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, which  
institution manufactures all medals sold by the Mint  
Service.

Respectfully,

  
Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent

CH:T

September 11, 1930


Mrs. Maude Whitacre,  
East 511 Eighteenth Avenue,  
Spokane, Washington.

Dear Madam:

Answering your letter of the 8th instant, I am enclosing a circular which will give you full information as to the conditions under which deposits are received and paid for at this institution and from which you will note that all consignments must have a minimum value of \$100.00 and all deposits containing 800 or more assay parts of base metal out of a possible 1000 are rejected.

Consignments must be accompanied by a letter of advice and have transportation charges prepaid. The Mint does not pay for platinum nor make any allowance therefor when contained in gold deposits.

Respectfully,

  
Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent

OH:2  
Enclosure


September 11, 1930

Mr. Charles Tatum,  
Grant, Nebraska.

Dear Sir:

Replying to your letter of the 10th instant,  
please be advised that the Mint does not deal in min-  
ing appliances nor any articles in relation thereto -  
its work being confined to coinage operations.

Respectfully,

  
Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent

CH:T

September 12, 1930


Mr. Louis Handler,  
525 Majestic Building,  
San Antonio, Texas.

Dear Sir:

I have your consignment under date of the 9th instant and regret to advise you that in view of the fact that the value of this shipment will not comply with our regulation that all deposits must contain at least \$100.00 in value in order to be accepted for purchase, I would suggest that you send about 2 ounces more of similar material to be added thereto.

I am enclosing a circular which will give you full information on this subject and have to request that you will send the additional material at your earliest convenience.

Respectfully,

  
\_\_\_\_\_  
Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent

CH:T  
Enclosure

September 11, 1930

Captain of the Guards,  
United States Mint, Denver.

Sir:

Referring to my Instructions to Guards dated March 9, 1927, particular attention is directed to the third paragraph on Page 1 of said instructions relative to reporting any emergency to the Superintendent or Chief Clerk.

In future, the Captain of the Guards, or whoever in his absence assumes his duties, will report immediately to the Superintendent or the Chief Clerk any unusual occurrence of a suspicious nature on the outside of the building regardless of the hour of such occurrence.

Guards are also directed, as far as possible, to observe conditions on the outside of the building when making their rounds or at such other times as opportunity permits.

In the case of an extreme emergency, the Guard's first duty will be to pull the police box and notify the above officials afterward.

  
Frank H. Shepard, Superintendent

CH:T

September 12, 1930


Miss M. E. Juraso,  
1052 Maplewood Avenue,  
Bridgeport, Conn.

Dear Madam:

Replying to your letter of the 9th instant,  
I regret to advise you that our entire stock of our <sup>cent</sup>  
bronze pieces of the coinage of 1922 has long <sup>since</sup> been  
exhausted and I am unable to give you <sup>any</sup> information  
as to where any of these coins <sup>are</sup> obtained.

The stamped envelope and the 3¢ in stamps en-  
closed with ~~your~~ letter are herewith returned.

Respectfully,

  
Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent

OH:2  
Enclosures

September 12, 1930

The Director of the Mint,  
Washington, D. C.

Sir:

I am returning herewith the form of official  
bond forwarded by you for execution by Roger L. Halden  
on which you will note that his name has been incorrect-  
ly spelled - Halden instead of Halden.

Respectfully,

  
Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent

OH:F  
Enclosure

354  
September 12, 1930

Mrs. L. E. DeLaigne,  
110 North 9th Street,  
East Nashville, Tennessee.

Dear Madam:

Replying to your letter of the 10th instant,  
please be advised that the Mint does not deal in old  
coins nor pay a premium thereon but it is my understand-  
ing that the Pike's Peak \$20 gold piece is worth consid-  
erably more than its face value, this excess value being  
paid only by coin collectors and numismatic dealers.

Respectfully,

  
\_\_\_\_\_  
Frank A. Shepard, Superintendent

CH:T



September 12, 1930

Mrs. J. W. Milson,  
1100 Monroe Street,  
Denver, Colorado.

Dear Mrs. Milson:


Referring to my letter of the 3rd instant, I am now enclosing Application for Payment of Accumulated Deductions which were made from the salary of your late husband, Mr. J. W. Milson.

Before executing this form, please read carefully the instructions on Page 6. You will note it is necessary that you have two identifying witnesses sign this application as well as yourself, (unless this application is executed by a duly appointed executor, administrator, guardian or committee, in which case the affidavit of the identifying witnesses may be omitted and the Jurat completed with proper modification), and that your signature, as well as those of the witnesses, be subscribed before a Notary Public or other official authorized to administer oaths for general purposes. Please also note the requirements of Paragraph 5 on Page 6.

After this form has been properly executed and signed, kindly return same to me together with other relevant papers.

With kindest regards, I am

Respectfully,

  
Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent

OH:T  
Enclosure

September 13, 1920

The National Bank of Lewistown,  
Lewistown, Montana.

Gentlemen:

I have your memorandum of the 10th instant enclosing mutilated \$5 bill No. 1014481369 and have to advise that the Mint does not redeem mutilated currency - this being done only by the Treasurer of the United States in accordance with the conditions fully outlined in the enclosed circular.

Upon receipt of the necessary registry postage, the above described mutilated bill will be returned to you.

Respectfully,

  
Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent

CH:T

Enclosure

September 15, 1930

Messrs. Klar & Winterman,  
2310 Elm Street,  
Dallas, Texas.

Gentlemen:

Referring to your consignment under date of the 11th instant which in your letter and on our Form No. 104-b you state weighs 64 ounces and 16 pennyweights, please be advised that upon receipt here your consignment weighs 54.90 ounces or 10 ounces less than stated by you.

While undoubtedly this is a typographical error on your part, I have to request that you will kindly advise me if the weight noted as being received here is satisfactory to you. I am holding your consignment for this information and would request that you write me promptly.

Respectfully,

  
Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent

OH:T

September 15, 1930

Dr. Isabell W. Hoenes,  
306 Blumenthal Building,  
El Paso, Texas.

Dear Madam:

I have your letter of the 11th instant in which you state you are forwarding a box containing gold and platinum scrap to be added to the consignment which we are now holding for your account and in reply I have to advise that the Mint does not purchase platinum nor make any allowance therefor when contained in gold deposits.

Please advise me if you are willing to waive the platinum values in this last shipment and if not, kindly send the necessary postage and insurance for the return of this material to you. Of course, you will understand that the Mint cannot separate the platinum from the gold unless it is contained in a separate package.

Respectfully,

  
Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent

OH:T

September 15, 1930

J. Baumgarten & Sons Company,  
Washington, D. C.

Gentlemen:

I am enclosing herewith page from the catalogue of the Sachs-Lawler Company of this city illustrating certain sign and show card printer's sets and have to request that you will kindly advise me if you have anything similar to set No. 121 under contract with the General Supply Company under item No 1376. If you have will you please advise me of the sub-item number in the General Supply Catalogue and the price of same.

Respectfully,

  
Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent

OH:T  
Enclosure


September 15, 1930

Mr. L. E. Lipsky,  
Southwestern Novelty & Sales Company,  
910 Wyandotte Street, Kansas City.

Dear Sir:

I am in receipt of your letter and consignment of the 13th instant and note that you give the weight of your material as 11 ounces and 16 pennyweights which would equal 11.80 troy ounces, and have to advise that upon receipt here your gold weighs 10.30 troy ounces. As this is a considerable discrepancy in the weight of this material, I have to request that you will advise me promptly if the weight as found here is satisfactory to you.

Respectfully,

  
Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent

CH:T

September 15, 1930.

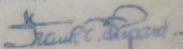
Joseph Dixon Crucible Co.,  
Jersey City, N. J.

Attention: Mr. Geo. W. Malsey.

Sirs:-

Referring to your letter of the 11th instant, quoting on certain graphite brushes, I have to request that you execute the proposal forms forwarded to you under date of August 27th, last, and return both copies at your early convenience.

Respectfully,



Frank E. Shepard,  
Superintendent.

F.



September 16, 1930

Miss Doris Messersmith,  
2538 Mersington Street,  
Kansas City, Missouri.

Dear Miss Doris:

I have your letter of the 15th instant requesting information about the manufacture of money and I very much regret to have to say that the Mint does not issue any pamphlets or pictures describing coinage operations and owing to the fact that it is a very long and complicated process, I am unable to give you any adequate information by means of a letter.

You may be interested to know that all gold coins contain their face value in gold and have one-tenth of their weight in copper as an alloy to increase their wearing qualities. Silver coins also contain one-tenth of their weight in alloy copper but they are not worth their face value as the market price of silver fluctuates considerably and, of course, the amount of silver in these coins could not be changed to keep step with such variations.

Nickels contain 75% copper and 25% nickel and the one-cent bronze pieces contain 95% copper, 3% tin and 2% zinc. All silver coins lower than \$1.00 are called subsidiary coins and the nickel and one-cent pieces are called minor coins.

I would suggest that you go to your Public Library and consult one of the larger encyclopedias on the subject of coinage and I have no doubt you will be able to gather much useful information therefrom.

Regretting that I cannot be of greater assistance to you in this matter and wishing you success in your studies, I am

Respectfully,

Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent



September 16, 1930

Miss Marjorie McCall,  
2716 Monroe Street,  
Kansas City, Missouri.

Dear Miss Marjorie:

I have your letter of the 15th instant requesting information about the manufacture of money and I very much regret to have to say that the Mint does not issue any pamphlets or pictures describing coinage operations and owing to the fact that it is a very long and complicated process, I am unable to give you any adequate information by means of a letter.

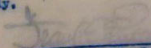
You may be interested to know that all gold coins contain their face value in gold and have one-tenth of their weight in copper as an alloy to increase their wearing qualities. Silver coins also contain one-tenth of their weight in alloy copper but they are not worth their face value as the market value of silver fluctuates considerably and, of course, the amount of silver in these coins could not be changed to keep step with such variations.

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Regretting that I cannot be of greater assistance to you in this matter and wishing you success in your studies, I am

Respectfully,

  
Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent

September 16, 1930

Mr. H. C. Ferguson,  
Harlowton, Montana.

Dear Sir:

I am in receipt of your letter of the 13th instant and accompanying samples and have to advise that the Mint is not equipped to make determinations of the kind desired by you. Such work can be done for you by the United States Assay Office at Helena, Montana, at a charge of \$1.00 for gold and \$1.00 for silver, each sample - money order for the proper amount to accompany your samples. I am not advised if the foregoing office can make platinum determinations but they will advise you in that respect.

If you desire the return of the samples which you have forwarded here, please send me the necessary postage and insurance at your earliest convenience, otherwise they will be thrown away.

Respectfully,

  
Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent

OH:T

September 16, 1930

Master Royce Steenmer,  
2924 Askew Avenue,  
Kansas City, Missouri.

Dear Master Royce:

I have your letter of the 12th instant requesting information about the manufacture of money and I very much regret to have to say that the Mint does not issue any pamphlets or pictures describing coinage operations and owing to the fact that it is a very long and complicated process, I am unable to give you any adequate information by means of a letter.

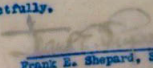
You may be interested to know that all gold coins contain their face value in gold and one-tenth of their weight in copper as an alloy to increase their wearing qualities. Silver coins also contain one-tenth of their weight in alloy copper but they are not worth their face value as the market value of silver fluctuates considerably and, of course, the amount of silver in these coins could not be changed to keep step with such variations.

Nickels contain 75% copper and 25% nickel and the one-cent bronze pieces contain 95% copper, 3% tin and 2% zinc. All silver coins lower than \$1.00 are called subsidiary coins and the nickel and one-cent bronze pieces are called minor coins.

I would suggest that you go to your Public Library and consult one of the larger encyclopedias on the subject of coinage and I have no doubt you will be able to gather much useful information therefrom.

Regretting that I cannot be of greater assistance to you in this matter and wishing you success in your studies, I am

Respectfully,

  
Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent

OH:T

September 17, 1930

Mr. D. A. Denenberg,  
402 North 16th Street,  
Omaha, Nebraska.

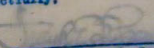
Dear Sir:

I am in receipt of a consignment of jewelry scrap bearing your name on the outside but to date have not received from you a letter of advice pertaining thereto which is necessary before your deposit can be accepted for purchase.

I also have to advise that all deposits must contain a value of at least \$100.00 and as it appears doubtful if the value of your material will equal that amount, I would suggest that you send at least 2 ounces more of similar material to be added thereto in order that it will comply with our requirements.

I am enclosing a circular which may be of assistance to you in preparing your material for shipment to this institution.

Respectfully,

  
Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent

CH:T  
Enclosure

September 17, 1930

Mr. S. G. Craig,  
Paonia, Colorado.

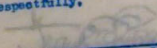
Dear Sir:

I have received a small package of sand from you which I presume you desire analyzed for its gold and silver contents but so far have not received from you a letter of advice as to your wishes in the matter.

In this connection I have to advise that the Mint is not equipped to make analyses of mineral bearing sand or rock. Such work can be done for you, however, by the United States Assay Office at Salt Lake City, Utah, at a charge of \$1.00 for gold and \$1.00 for silver, each sample, money order for the proper amount payable to that office to accompany your samples.

If you desire the return of the sample which you have forwarded here, kindly send me the necessary postage.

Respectfully,

  
Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent

OH:T

September 17, 1930

Bank of Crested Butte,  
Crested Butte, Colorado.

Gentlemen:

I have your letter of the 15th instant forwarding by express a small vial of gold dust which weighs upon receipt here 2.12 troy ounces which I regret to say cannot be accepted for purchase as only such deposits as have a value of at least \$100.00 are received.

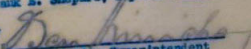
If your client, Mr. Ricketts, could add at least 4 ounces to this shipment it probably would contain sufficient value but if he is unable to do this, your gold will be returned by express, collect, or by insured parcel post upon receipt of the necessary funds to cover such expense.

Kindly let me hear from you at your earliest convenience.

Respectfully,

Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent

By

  
Acting Superintendent

OH:T



September 17, 1930

Miss Virginia Krimminger,  
2630 Kensington Street,  
Kansas City, Missouri.

Dear Miss Virginia:

I have your letter of the 11th instant requesting information about the manufacture of money and I very much regret to have to say that the Mint does not issue any pamphlets or pictures describing coinage operations and owing to the fact that it is a very long and complicated process, I am unable to give you any adequate information by means of a letter.

You may be interested to know that all gold coins contain their face value in gold and have one-tenth of their weight in copper as an alloy to increase their wearing qualities. Silver coins also contain one-tenth of their weight in alloy copper but they are not worth their face value as the market value of silver fluctuates considerably and, of course, the amount of silver in these coins could not be changed to keep step with such variations.

Nickels contain 75% copper and 25% nickel and the one-cent bronze pieces contain 95% copper, 3% tin and 2% zinc. All silver coins lower than \$1.00 are called subsidiary coins and the nickel and one-cent bronze pieces are called minor coins.

All paper money is manufactured at the Bureau of Engraving & Printing at Washington, D.C., and printed on special paper made under supervision of the United States Government.

The employees of the Mints, like those in all other departments and branches of the Government, are paid by moneys appropriated by the National Congress at Washington.

I would suggest that you go to your Public Library and consult one of the larger encyclopedias on the subject

of coinage and I have no doubt you will be able to gather much useful information therefrom.

Regretting that I cannot be of greater assistance to you in this matter and wishing you success in your studies, I am

Respectfully,

Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent

By

  
Acting Superintendent

OH:T



September 18, 1930

Messrs. W. & J. Sloane,  
709 - 12th Street, N.W.  
Washington, D. C.

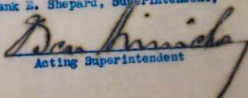
Gentlemen:

I have your letter of the 15th instant in reference to my order No. 314 for 45 square yards of linoleum at \$1.48 per square yard and have to advise that I forwarded you check No. 3021, in amount \$66.60, in payment therefor on July 18th. Kindly examine your records and if you have not received this check please advise me promptly.

Respectfully,

Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent,

By

  
Acting Superintendent

OH:T

September 18, 1930

Mr. A. Marshall, Jeweler,  
110 $\frac{1}{2}$  Cuyler Street,  
Pampa, Texas.

Dear Sir:

I have to acknowledge receipt of your letter of the 16th instant and accompanying consignment which weighs upon receipt here 94/100ths of a troy ounce, and regret to say that I cannot accept same as no deposits are received for purchase which have a value under \$100.00.

Upon receipt of the necessary postage and insurance your material will be returned you.

Regretting my inability to be of service to you in this matter, I am

Respectfully.

Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent.

By

*Don Minich*  
Acting Superintendent

OH:T

September 18, 1930

Mr. S. B. Leben,  
153 North Main Street,  
El Dorado, Kansas.

Dear Sir:

I am in receipt of your consignment under date of the 16th instant, which weighs upon receipt here 52.19 troy ounces, and have to advise that I am doubtful about your material having a precious metal content of 200 assay parts out of a possible 1000 which is necessary in order to accept same for purchase. I would suggest that you send about 5 or 6 ounces more of good silver in order that it will comply with our requirements and I am holding your deposit until I hear from you as to your wishes in the matter.

I am enclosing a circular which may be of assistance to you in preparing your material for shipment to this institution.

Respectfully,

Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent.

By

  
Acting Superintendent

OH:T  
Enclosure

September 19, 1930

National Bank of Lewistown,  
Lewistown, Montana.

Gentlemen:

I am in receipt of your letter of the 16th instant enclosing 20¢ in stamps for the return of the mutilated \$5 bill recently forwarded by you to this institution for redemption. You will please find the above bill enclosed herewith together with 10¢ in stamps, it being necessary to use only 10¢ for registering this letter.

Respectfully,

*Frank E. Shepard*  
Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent

OH:T  
Enclosures

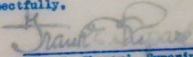
September 19, 1930

Mountain States Telephone & Telegraph Company,  
Denver, Colorado.

Gentlemen:

This will acknowledge the receipt of your remittance of 67¢ in cash covering commissions due on collection made from pay station Main-9972 at this building for the period August 15, 1930 to September 11, 1930.

Respectfully,

  
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Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent

OH:T

September 19, 1930

R. V. Bardon,  
Att: Mr. F. O. Hendrickson,  
109 South Main Street,  
Tulsa, Oklahoma.

Dear Sir:

In reference to your deposit under date of the 16th instant, I regret to advise you that after melting and assaying same, I find that your material has a value slightly under \$90.00 and under the regulations I have had to reject same as a deposit as it is necessary that all consignments have a value of at least \$100.

Upon receipt of \$1.00 to cover our melting charges, your bar will be returned you, or should you prefer to send an additional quantity to be added thereto in order to bring its value up to or over \$100.00, I shall be glad to have you do so when it will be reentered as a deposit upon the payment of our charges of \$1.00.

Kindly let me hear from you at your earliest convenience.

Respectfully,

Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent,

By

*Don Minich*  
Acting Superintendent

September 19, 1930

Mr. Joe Brennan,  
Malta, Montana.

Dear Sir:

Referring to your letter of the 13th instant, please be advised that I have returned you by insured parcel post the can of black sand and nuggets recently forwarded by you to this institution and which I could not accept owing to the fact that the sand was without any precious metal content.

Of the \$1.70 forwarded by you, 32¢ were used for postage and insurance and \$1.38 in cash was placed in the can.

Regarding the shiny particles in your sand, I have to say that these are mica and not gold.

Respectfully,

Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent

By

Don Kinich  
Acting Superintendent

OH:2



September 20, 1930

Mr. A. W. Hausheer,  
Fox Park, Wyoming.

Dear Sir:

I have your letter of the 15th instant and under separate cover your two small vials of material and have to advise that the gold contained in the small vial is not of sufficient value to be accepted for purchase - no deposits being received having a value under \$100.

Regarding your question as to why the gold in this vial would not melt, please be advised that there is apparently no reason except that you did not have sufficient heat.

The black particles in vial No. 2 consist of magnetic iron which is practically as heavy as gold. There is no reason, so far as I know, why mercury would not pick up the fine gold contained in the sand provided, of course, the sand contains gold.

Please forward me the necessary postage and insurance for the return of your two vials at your earliest convenience as the Mint is unable to make any allowance therefor.

Respectfully,

Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent

By

*Dean Branch*  
Acting Superintendent

OH:T



September 20, 1930

Mrs. Pauline D. Hollinger.  
415 South Jefferson Street,  
San Angelo, Texas.

Dear Madam:

Replying to your letter of the 18th instant, I have to say that the Mint does not deal in old coins and I have no information as to what premiums are paid thereon by numismatic dealers and coin collectors. I am also unable to give the addresses of any coin collectors and would suggest that you look through the advertising section of some of the larger magazines where you will probably find the names and addresses of such dealers.

Respectfully,

Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent.

By

*Dean H. Smith*  
Deputy Superintendent

CH:R

September 20, 1930

Mr. A. Maxwell,  
R. 5, Box 27,  
Elgin, Texas.

Dear Sir:

I have your letter of recent date and have to advise that on April 1st, last, when your specimens were received, I sent you a letter to Ocupland, Texas, Route 2, Box 46, of which the enclosed is a copy - the foregoing address being the one given in your letter.

You will note from this letter that the rock forwarded by you to this institution is not suitable for acceptance and it does not appear to contain any gold or silver. If you desire the return of this rock, please send me the necessary postage at your earliest convenience.

Respectfully,

Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent.

By

*Dean Kimbich*  
Acting Supt.

OK:T  
Enclosure

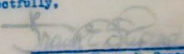
September 22, 1920

Mr. Samuel Lewis,  
73 Barclay Street,  
New York.

Dear Sir:

I have your letter of the 15th instant and am enclosing \$1.31 in stamps to reimburse you for express charges paid by you in making shipment on my recent order No. 25.

Respectfully,

  
Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent

CH:T  
Enclosure

September 22, 1930

Banco Mercantil of Chihuahua,  
Chihuahua, Mexico.

Gentlemen:

Replying to your communication of the 16th instant, please be advised that it is my opinion the Treasury Department would not approve of the purchase of the gold and silver bullion mentioned in your letter under the conditions described therein.

Respectfully,

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Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent

ONE

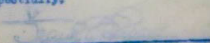
September 22, 1930

Mr. George W. Carmany, Jr.,  
The Leader Boiler & Heater Company,  
Decatur, Illinois.

Dear Sir:

Replying to your letter of recent date, please be advised that the one-cent bronze pieces with the Indian head on the obverse side were minted from 1859 to 1909, inclusive, none of which were manufactured at this institution.

Respectfully,

  
Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent

CHT

September 22, 1930

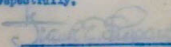
C. M. Bowen & Company,  
120 East Fifth Street,  
Leadville, Colorado.

Gentlemen:

I have your letter and consignment under date of the 20th instant which you state weighs about 25 ounces and have to advise that upon receipt here your shipment weighs 21.40 troy ounces.

Before proceeding to treat this deposit will you kindly advise me if the weight as received here is satisfactory to you.

Respectfully,

  
Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent

CHS?

September 22, 1930

Mr. William Eber.  
102 West Exchange Avenue,  
North Fort Worth, Texas.

Dear Sir:

Answering your letter of the 19th instant, I have to advise that all deposits to be acceptable for purchase must contain at least \$100.00 in value and contain approximately one-fourth of their weight in the precious metals.

Gold watch cases of the kind described by you contain very little gold compared to their weight and I would suggest that you add sufficient good silver to offset the excessive base metal contained therein.

If you wish to make a shipment for examination, I shall be glad to have you do so and if found unsatisfactory will so advise you and return at your expense.

Respectfully,

  
Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent

WES

September 22, 1930

Mr. Frank Delle,  
Telluride, Colorado.

Dear Sir:

I have your registered letter of the 19th instant with copy of lease between George E. Hicks and yourself which you desire to have recorded, and have to advise that the Mint does not record such papers and your lease will be returned you upon receipt of the necessary registry postage.

I shall be glad to receive such consignments as you may forward here for deposit and will treat same promptly and remit in the manner desired by you as indicated on Form No 104-b, several copies of which are enclosed herewith for your use in making shipments to this institution.

In this connection, please be advised that all deposits to be acceptable for purchase must have a minimum value of \$100.

Respectfully,

  
Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent

EN:T

Enclosure



September 22, 1930

Mr. F. E. Roberts.  
Missouri Valley, Iowa.

Dear Sir:

Replying to your letter of the 18th instant I have to advise that all deposits must contain a value of at least \$100.00 and all deposits are rejected which fall below that value.

I am enclosing a circular which will give you full information as to the shipment of deposits to this institution.

Respectfully,

  
Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent

OMT

Enclosure

September 22, 1900

Goetz-Niemer Company,  
St. Joseph, Missouri.

Gentlemen:

I have your letter of the 20th instant in reference to your recent deposit at this institution and have to advise that your bullion was received here during the forenoon of September 17th and check in payment was mailed you on the 19th instant, which I have no doubt you have now received.

Respectfully,

  
Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent

OR:T

September 22, 1930

Mr. D. A. Demenberg,  
402 North 16th Street,  
Omaha, Nebraska.

Dear Sir:

Replying to your letter of the 20th instant, I have to advise that if your deposit does not contain \$100.00 in value, the regulations require that it be rejected and all charges incurred up to the time of its rejection be imposed.

As it appeared doubtful that your deposit would contain \$100.00 in value, I wrote you on the 17th instant suggesting that you send some additional material to be added thereto in order that you would not be put to the above expense should your bullion fall below the required value.

If you desire me to proceed to treat your bullion I shall, of course, be glad to do so but will have to reject it if it is not found to contain \$100.00 in value.

Please advise me promptly of your wishes in the matter.

Respectfully,

  
Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent

ON:T

September 12, 1930

Mr. Louis Delginew,  
219 Independence Avenue,  
Kansas City, Missouri.


Dear Sir:

Referring to your deposit under date of the 20th instant consisting of 104.73 troy ounces of filled ware and 17.62 ounces of gold, making a total of 122.35 troy ounces, please be advised that in addition to the fact that all deposits must contain a value of at least \$100.00, it is necessary that deposits do not contain 800 or more assay parts of base metal out of a possible 1000, which I believe your consignment will contain owing to the large amount of filled scrap.

To reduce the excessive base metal contained in your shipment, I would suggest that you send 20 or 25 ounces of good silver to increase the fineness of your deposit to meet our requirements.

Kindly let me hear from you at your earliest convenience.

Respectfully,

  
Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent

OK:2

September 23, 1930

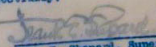
Mr. Henry Josephson,  
Rollinsville, Colorado.

Dear Sir:

Referring to your consignment under date of the 22nd instant, I regret to say that the regulations prohibit the acceptance of deposits which do not contain at least \$100.00 in value, and as your consignment weighs only 8.20 troy ounces it will be necessary for you to send at least 3 ounces more of similar material in order that your deposit will comply with our requirements.

If it is not convenient for you to send this additional material, kindly advise me and enclose the necessary postage and insurance if you desire it returned by parcel post, otherwise it will be returned to you by express, collect.

Respectfully,

  
Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent

OH:T

September 23, 1930

First National Bank,  
Prescott, Wisconsin.

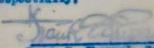
Attention: Mr. Longworth

Gentlemen:

As per your request of the 20th instant, I am returning to you this date under separate cover package of gold buttons received from you on August 14th, weighing 3.16 troy ounces.

Enclosed you will find 36¢ in stamps, being in excess of the amount needed for mailing the above package.

Respectfully,

  
Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent

GSS:T

Enclosure

September 23, 1930

Southwestern Novelty & Sales Company.  
Attention: Mr. D. E. Lipsky,  
910 Wyandotte Street,  
Kansas City, Missouri.

Gentlemen:

I have your letter of the 22nd instant and as requested by you I have this day returned to you by express, collect, your recent consignment weighing 10.30 troy ounces.

Upon receipt here all deposits are weighed on scales which are tested for accuracy from day to day and their weights carefully checked by two employees who are experienced in such matters and the weight of your deposit as reported to you in my letter of the 15th instant is the correct weight of your material as received here. In forwarding this material to the Mint you either misread the weights or perhaps your scales are out of adjustment. Your package was received intact and does not appear to have been tampered with while in transit.

Respectfully,



Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent

CH:T

September 23, 1930

Bank of Crested Butte,  
Crested Butte, Colorado.

Attention: Mr. W.S. Bellman,

Gentlemen:

In reference to your letter of the 20th instant requesting me to deliver Mr. Ricketts' recent deposit weighing 3.12 troy ounces to some responsible assayer and gold buyer in this city for returns direct to you, please be advised that I have this day delivered Mr. Ricketts' deposit to Barlingame & Parker, 1901 Lawrence Street, this city.

In this connection please be advised that the Mint cannot, of course, assume any responsibility for the returns made on this consignment and in turning it over to Barlingame & Parker my action is simply one of accommodation to you and your client.

Trusting you will be satisfied with the returns received and regretting that the Mint could not purchase this consignment direct, I am

Respectfully,

  
Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent

OH:2



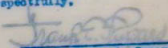
September 24, 1930

First National Bank,  
Dickens, Nebraska.

Gentlemen:

Referring to your letter of the 20th instant, please be advised that mediated gold and silver coins are paid for at their bullion value only. Five-cent nickels and one-cent bronze pieces are received only in one-pound lots each and are paid for at the rate of 15¢ and 14¢ per pound, respectively.

Respectfully,

  
Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent

OH:T

September 24, 1930

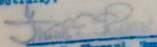
Mr. Edward Krueger,  
Buena Vista, Colorado.

Dear Sir:

I have your letter of the 22nd instant and accompanying consignment and regret to say that I am unable to accept same for treatment as the Mint does not receive mercurial deposits, nor consignments of gold having a value under \$100.00, nor deposits which have an excessive amount of base metal.

Please advise me of your wishes as to the disposition of this material and oblige.

Respectfully,

  
Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent

OH:T

September 24, 1930

The Duriron Company, Inc.,  
Dayton, Ohio.

Gentlemen:

Replying to your letter of the 22nd (Reference  
RFS), please be advised that pattern No. 10 mentioned in  
your letter is no longer of value to this institution  
and you are hereby authorized to destroy it.

Respectfully,

  
Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent

OH:T


September 24, 1930

Mr. M. J. Fell,  
Brady, Nebraska.

Dear Sir:

I have your note and under separate cover your package of material which appears to be black sand with a large proportion of magnetic iron. This material has no commercial value and if you desire it returned to you kindly forward the regular postage and insurance, otherwise it will be thrown away.

Respectfully,

  
Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent

CH:T

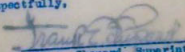
September 26, 1930

Fort Worth Smelting & Refining Company,  
105 East 10th Street,  
Fort Worth, Texas.

Gentlemen:

Replying to your letter of the 24th instant,  
I have to advise that mutilated silver coins are purchased only at their silver value and mutilated nickel coins only in one-pound lots at the rate of 15¢ per pound.

Respectfully,

  
Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent

OH:T

September 26, 1930


Mr. O. T. Davis,  
Davis Portrait Studio,  
Alamosa, Colorado.

Dear Sir:

referring to your small consignment of the 14th  
Instant, which weighs upon receipt here .24 of a troy  
ounce, I regret to advise that I cannot accept this ma-  
terial for purchase as the regulations require that all  
deposits must have a value of at least \$100.00 to be ac-  
ceptable.

Upon receipt of 5¢ in stamps your gold will be  
returned you.

Respectfully,

  
Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent

OH:F

September 26, 1930

Messrs. Kapelke and Kaufman,  
Trinidad, Colorado.

Gentlemen:

Answering your letter of the 25th instant, I have to advise that your understanding that deposits consisting of gold, gold filled scrap such as watchcases and spectacle parts, etc., and silver are melted together is correct.

In preparing your consignments, however, you should see that your material contains a value of at least \$100.00 in gold and silver and also contains one-fifth of its weight in gold and silver. Shipments containing a smaller proportion of the precious metals are not received. Please accompany any shipments that you may make to this institution with a letter of advice.

I am enclosing a circular which may be of some assistance to you in preparing your deposits for shipment to this institution.

Respectfully,

  
Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent

OH:T  
Enclosure

September 26, 1920

Messrs. L. B. Boellner & Son,  
Roswell, New Mexico.

Gentlemen:

As requested in your letter of the 23rd instant, I am enclosing a circular which will give you full information regarding the conditions under which gold deposits are received at this institution for purchase from which you will note that consignments must contain a value of at least \$100.00 and deposits having less than one-fifth of their weight in the precious metals are rejected. Each consignment must be accompanied by a letter of advice.

Respectfully,

  
Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent

OK:T  
Enclosure



September 29, 1930

Mr. C. V. Norlgren,  
P.O. Box 658,  
Telluride, Colorado.

Dear Sir:

I have your letter and consignment under date of the 26th instant and note that you give the weight of your bullion as 122 $\frac{3}{4}$  ounces, while upon receipt here I find your two kings weight 74.09 troy ounces or a difference of 48.66 troy ounces.

Before proceeding to treat this bullion, I have to request that you will advise me promptly if the weight as ascertained here is satisfactory. Your package was received intact.

Respectfully,

  
Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent

CH:T

September 29, 1930

Mr. W. K. Lip,  
P. O. Box 535,  
Farmington, New Mexico.

Dear Sir:

Answering your letter of the 24th instant,  
please be advised that the Mint does not deal in old  
coins and never pays a premium thereon and I therefore  
have no information as to what premiums may be paid  
by numismatic dealers or coin collectors.

Respectfully,

  
Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent

OH:T

September 29, 1930

Mr. J. M. Siegel,  
227 West Third Street,  
Davenport, Iowa.

Dear Sir:

In reference to your consignment No. 1, under date of the 26th instant, which you state weighs about 4 pounds, please be advised that upon receipt here your material weighs 34.68 troy ounces which is considerably less than the weight given by you.

Before proceeding to treat this material, I have to request that you will kindly advise if our weight is satisfactory. Your package was received intact.

Respectfully,

  
Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent

CH:T

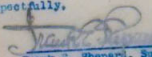
September 29, 1930

Mr. Orlando Gundagah,  
Globe, Arizona.

Dear Sir:

Referring to your letter of the 26th instant asking for literature pertaining to Colorado, please be advised that such information is not distributed by the Mint but may be obtained upon application to The Colorado Association, 514 Sixteenth Street, Denver, to whom your letter has been referred.

Respectfully,

  
Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent

CH:T

September 29, 1930

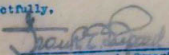
Meyer Jewelry Company,  
12th & Walnut Streets,  
Kansas City, Missouri.

Gentlemen:

Referring to your consignment No. 1, the weight of which you state to be 16 ounces and 17 pennyweights, please be advised that upon receipt here your deposit weighs 16.34 troy ounces or practically one-half ounce less than the weight given by you.

Before proceeding to treat this deposit, I have to request that you will kindly advise me if the weight as received here is satisfactory to you.

Respectfully,

  
Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent

OH:T

September 23, 1930

Mrs. T. M. Brown,  
P. O. Box 1302,  
Bigspring, Texas.

Dear Madam:

I have examined the small sample of mineral enclosed with your letter of the 26th instant and have to say that it appears to be galena or lead sulphide which has no commercial value so far as this institution is concerned.

Your sample is returned herewith.

Respectfully,



Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent

OH:2

Enclosure

September 29, 1930

Mr. E. Burnham,  
205 West Summit Street,  
Roswell, New Mexico.

Dear Sir:

Replying to your inquiry of the 27th instant,  
I have to advise that the Government never recalls any  
of its coins and therefore is not recalling the one-cent  
bronze pieces with the Indian head on the obverse side.

Respectfully,

  
Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent

OH:F

September 29, 1930


Mr. M. H. Bolender,  
Orangeville, Illinois.

Dear Sir:

I am returning herewith the stamps and \$1.00 in currency enclosed with your letter of the 27th instant and have to advise that applications for new coins must be made direct to the Treasurer of the United States at Washington, D.C.

I am enclosing a circular which will give you full information on this subject.

Respectfully,

  
Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent

OH:T

Enclosures



September 29, 1930

Mr. C. F. Aus,  
3826 McKinley Avenue,  
Tacoma, Washington,

Dear Sir:

Your letter of the 26th instant addressed to the Denver Assaying Company has been referred to this institution as there is no firm in Denver under that title.

This Mint does not make assays of mineral bearing specimens, but reliable work of that kind can be done for you by the United States Assay Office at Salt Lake City, Utah, at the following charges for each sample:

Gold and Silver	-	\$1.00 each
Lead	-	1.50
Copper and Zinc	-	2.00 each.

Respectfully,

  
Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent

OH:T

September 30, 1930

Mr. Q. T. Davis,  
Davis Portrait Studio,  
Alamosa, Colorado.

Dear Sir:

As requested in your notation on my letter of the 26th instant, I am returning the small consignment forwarded by you to this institution on the 14th instant, its value being too small for acceptance by this Mint.

Perhaps Burlingame & Parker, 1901 Lawrence Street, or Carl Blaurock, Mack Building, both of this city, might purchase this gold from you, but in suggesting these names, the Mint assumes no responsibility for such returns as you may receive for your gold.

Respectfully,

  
Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent

DH:2

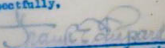
September 30, 1920

Mr. Edward Krueger,  
Buena Vista, Colorado.

Dear Sir:

Complying with the request contained in your letter of the 26th instant, I am returning you this day by express, C.O.D., the recent consignment forwarded by you to this institution.

Respectfully,

  
Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent

CH:2

September 30, 1930

Mr. C. H. Lemon,  
Miami, Arizona.

Dear Sir:

Referring to your letter of the 25th instant and accompanying consignment, which weighed upon receipt here 92/100ths of a troy ounce, please be advised that no deposits are received for purchase which contain less than \$100.00 in value.

Upon receipt of the necessary postage and insurance your grains will be returned.

Respectfully,

  
Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent

OH:T

September 30, 1930

Mr. William Bober,  
102 West Exchange Avenue,  
Fort Worth, Texas.

Dear Sir:

Referring to your consignment under date of the 27th instant, I have to advise that after examining your material it appears you will need about 15 ounces of sterling silver to be added thereto to offset the excessive amount of base metal which your filled spectacle cases and watch cases contain, since it is necessary that deposits not only contain a value of at least \$100.00 in the precious metals but no deposit shall contain 600 or more assay parts out of a possible 1000 of base metal.

The weight of your consignment is 172.65 troy ounces, of which 123.53 ounces consist of filled ware which contains very little gold. In this connection I have to advise that in future shipments, all iron springs and similar foreign material should be removed before your consignments are forwarded, as deposits are entered on our books at the weight they are received and if such material is not removed before melting, the weight after melting would indicate a considerable loss in melting. In addition to the fact that it is more or less of an annoyance to have to remove same before sending to the melting room.

I am holding your deposit without treatment until advised

by you as to the addition of the 15 ounces of silver to increase  
the fineness of your deposit.

Respectfully,



Frank A. Shepard, Superintendent

CH:2

September 30, 1930

Mrs. L. Holferty,  
1136 20th Street,  
San Diego, California.

Dear Madam:

Replying to your letter of the 25th instant,  
please be advised that the Mint does not deal in old coins  
or currency nor any similar articles and I am therefore  
unable to give you any information as to the value of the  
\$20 Confederate bill.

Respectfully,

  
Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent

OR:P

September 25, 1930

Mr. A. J. Housheer,  
Fox Park, Wyoming.

Dear Sir:

I have to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 23rd instant and regret to say that owing to the small amount of gold contained in your samples, it would be impossible for me to waive the regulations regarding the receipt of deposits which must have a value of at least \$100.00, as your small amount of gold would not anywhere near approximate that amount.

I would be glad to give assistance to you in this matter but I am governed by rules laid down by the Treasury Department which must in all cases be carried out. I have therefore returned your two samples to you and I trust you will be able to dispose of them to advantage elsewhere. I am returning 7¢ in stamps which were not needed.

Respectfully,

  
Frank A. Shepard, Superintendent

CRH

Enclosure



September 30, 1930

Maisel's Indian Trading Post, Inc.,  
117 South First Street,  
Albuquerque, New Mexico.

Gentlemen:

I have your deposit under date of the 26th instant and while you say that your silver weighs about 1633 ounces, I find upon weighing it here that it weighs 1593.80 troy ounces, a difference of nearly 40 ounces. In view of the fact that this is not a close approximation of your weight, I thought it proper to advise you of this fact and request that you kindly advise me if the weight as received here is satisfactory to you.

Your gold weighs 4.85 troy ounces.

Kindly advise me promptly.

Respectfully,

  
Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent

OH:T

October 1, 1930

Mr. Roger Runck,  
College View Station,  
Lincoln, Nebraska. C/o So. Hall.

Dear Sir:

Answering your letter of the 27th ultimo, I have to advise that the dime contains nine-tenths of its weight in pure silver and one-tenth alloy copper, its standard weight being 38.58 grains and its standard fineness 900 assay parts silver out of a possible 1000.

As it is impossible to manufacture each dime to weigh exactly 38.58 grains, the law permits a weight tolerance of one and one-half grains over and below the standard weight.

I am enclosing a circular which will give you the weight and fineness of all United States coins.

Respectfully,

  
Frank A. Shepard, Superintendent

OH:T

Enclosure

October 1, 1930

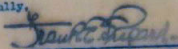
Mr. Frank Dolle,  
Telluride, Colorado. P.O.Box 563

Dear Sir:

As requested in your letter of the 29th ultimo, I am enclosing herewith the lease recently forwarded by you to this institution and am returning 5¢ in stamps of the 20¢ received from you, only 15¢ being necessary to register the letter.

I note in your shipment of the 30th ultimo that your deposit No. 3 is valued by you at \$50.00 and that you desire a separate return thereon. In this connection, please be advised that all deposits to be received for purchase must have a minimum value of \$100.00 and I am therefore holding it until you can send the required amount of gold to be added thereto to give it sufficient value, or indicate what disposition you desire made of it. In the meantime, I will proceed to treat your deposit No. 2 as soon as it has been received. Please advise me promptly.

Respectfully,



Frank A. Shepard, Superintendent

OH:2  
Enclosure

October 2, 1930

Mr. E. V. Gordon,  
Attention: F.O. Hendrickson,  
100 South Main Street,  
Tulsa, Oklahoma.

Dear Sir:

I have your letter of the 30th ultimo in reference to your deposit which has been rejected on account of insufficient value, and note that you have forwarded \$60 worth of scrap to be added thereto to bring the value up to the Mint requirements.

Kindly refer to my letter of September 19th in which you will note that it is necessary that the Mint charge of \$1.00 must be paid before your deposit can be reentered. I am therefore holding your shipment without treatment until the receipt of this \$1.00, when the two lots will be combined.

It is also noted that your shipment was received with express charges collect. The Mint never pays transportation charges and all consignments must be forwarded with such charges prepaid and the express company has been so advised in regard to your deposit.

Respectfully,

  
Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent

CH:T

October 2, 1930


Mr. Reid Allgood,  
Wichita Falls, Texas.

Dear Sir:

Replying to your letter of the 30th ultimo,  
please be advised that the Government does not deal in  
old coins and never pays a premium thereon.

Your 2¢ stamp is returned herewith.

Respectfully,

  
Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent

OW:T  
Enclosure

October 2, 1930

Mr. P. J. Loree,  
156 North Cicero Avenue,  
Chicago, Illinois.

Dear Sir:

Answering your letter of the 30th ultimo, please be advised that the Mint will purchase old gold when sent in lots having a minimum value of \$100.00, provided such gold does not contain 800 or more assay parts of base metal out of a possible 1000. The Mint pays \$20.67 for each ounce of pure gold in such deposits.

In this connection, I would call your attention to the fact that plated or filled ware is composed largely of base metal and you should accompany such consignments with sufficient good silver in order that the precious metal content will equal about one-fourth of the weight of the deposit.

I am enclosing a circular which may be of some assistance to you in preparing shipments to this institution.

Respectfully,

  
Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent

OH:T  
Enclosure

October 3, 1930


Mr. R. P. Joseph,  
2889 Newport Avenue,  
Omaha, Nebraska.

Dear Sir:

Several days ago I received a package of bullion bearing your name on the outside but to date have not received from you a letter of advice pertaining thereto, such advice being necessary before deposits are entered on our books and paid for.

Kindly advise me concerning this deposit and find herewith a circular which will give you full instructions relative to the conditions under which deposits are received at this Mint.

Respectfully,

  
Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent

OH:T  
Enclosure

October 3, 1930

Mr. C. V. Nordgren,  
P.O. Box 588,  
Telluride, Colorado.

Dear Sir:

I have your letter of the 1st instant and as requested by you, I am enclosing a copy of your letter of advice which was received inside the canvas bag containing the two kings which weighed upon receipt here 74.09 troy ounces which weight, of course, does not include the sack with the wax seal of the express company. This seal is numbered 2199.

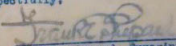
The letter of advice received by mail is in black type, written apparently on the same typewriter and the same ribbon as your letter of the 1st instant, while the letter enclosed in the sack, signed by you, is apparently a carbon copy as the color of the type is bluish in appearance. Your letter of advice received by mail contained the following postscript:

"P.S. Please do not delay this return as before. I am also enclosing a copy of this letter with the shipment."  
This postscript does not appear on the letter enclosed in the sack.

I would suggest that you make claim on the express company for such shortage as may be proper between the amount shipped and that received by the Mint.

Your kings and the sack are being held until such time as you may request me to proceed to treat your bullion.

Respectfully,

  
Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent

CH:T  
Enclosure



October 4, 1930

The Economy Mining & Milling Company,  
Mr. Millard Fairbank, Secretary,  
Delta, Colorado.

Gentlemen:

Replying to your letter of the 2nd instant, I take pleasure in enclosing you a copy of the conditions under which deposits are received for purchase at this institution and in addition to the information contained therein, have to say that all deposits must have a minimum value of \$100.00 and contain approximately one-fourth of their weight in gold and silver. Deposits of ore are not received.

Should you make any shipments to the Mint, they will be treated promptly and check in payment forwarded you with as little delay as possible.

Respectfully,



Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent

OK:T  
Enclosure

October 6, 1930

Superintendent,  
United States Mint,  
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

Sir:

I have this day to acknowledge the receipt of  
the following dies via Railway Express Agency, Inc., on  
government bill of lading No. T 61325:

10 - Obverse One-Cent Dies, Nos. 501 - 510  
10 - Reverse " " " " 536 - 545.

Respectfully,

Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent

October 6, 1930

Mrs. Edna R. Gann,  
Great Bend, Kansas, Box 265.

Dear Madam:

Replying to your letter of the 3rd instant, I have to advise that one-cent bronze pieces are redeemed only in pound lots at the rate of 14¢ per pound; nickels at the rate of 15¢ per pound and silver coins at the market rate for their silver content.

Shipments may be made by express or parcel post at the option of the consignor.

Respectfully,

Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent

OH:2

October 6, 1930

Mr. W. H. Owen,  
68 Morningside Drive,  
New York, New York.

Dear Sir:

Replying to your inquiry of the 1st instant,  
please be advised that no five-cent nickel pieces have  
been manufactured by this institution during the current  
calendar year, one-cent bronze pieces being the only coin-  
age thus far.

Respectfully,

Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent

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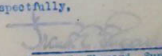
October 6, 1930

Mr. Ben Purdy,  
Ophir, Colorado.

Dear Sir:

Referring to your consignment No. 4 of the 3rd instant which you state weighs about 29 ounces, please be advised that upon receipt here your bullion weighs 25.37 troy ounces which would be nearly 29 ounces avoirdupois. Not knowing on which basis you weighed this bullion, will you kindly advise me if our weight is satisfactory to you.

Respectfully,

  
Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent

OH:T

October 7, 1930

Mr. C. H. Lemon,  
Miami, Arizona.

Dear Sir:

Complying with the request contained in your letter of the 3rd instant, I have this day returned to you by insured parcel post your shipment of gold dust to this Mint, using the 20¢ in postage enclosed with your letter as follows:

Postage .....	3¢
Insurance .....	8¢
Stamps returned .....	9¢

Respectfully.

Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent

Enclosure

October 7, 1930

Mr. Sherman Buis,  
Sheridan, Missouri.

Dear Sir:

Replying to your letter of the 6th instant, I have to advise that the Mint does not deal in old coins nor have I any information relative to the premiums paid thereon by numismatic dealers or coin collectors.

Regretting that I cannot be of assistance to you, I am

Respectfully,

Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent

OH:T

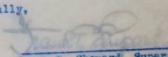
October 7, 1930

Eugene Mines Company,  
1130 First National Bank Building,  
City.

Gentlemen:

As authorized by letter of the First National Bank of Central City, Colorado, dated August 6th, 1930, and signed by W. O. Jenkins, Cashier, I am enclosing herewith duplicate copies of returns made on deposits by that bank for Mitchell Brothers, under date of August 14th, 1930, and September 2nd, 1930.

Respectfully,

  
Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent

OH:T

Enclosure



October 8, 1930

Mr. I. G. MacLennan,  
Ouray, Colorado.

Dear Sir:

Referring to your consignment under date of the 6th instant which weighs upon receipt here 80/100ths of a troy ounce, please be advised that the Mint does not accept deposits having a value under \$100.00 and upon receipt of the necessary postage and insurance your gold will be returned you.

Respectfully,

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Frank E. Sheperd, Superintendent

ONE

October 9, 1930

Mrs. William Jung,  
Ellinwood, Kansas.

Dear Madam:

Replying to your note of the 3th instant,  
please be advised that the Mint does not deal in old  
coins and I regret that I cannot give you any informa-  
tion as to the value of the half dollar you desire to  
sell, nor to whom you could dispose of it.

Respectfully,

  
Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent

OH:T


October 10, 1930

Mr. Arthur Shaw,  
R. F. D. No. 4,  
Eaton, Colorado

Dear Sir:

Replying to your letter of the 7th instant, please be advised that this institution does not manufacture proof coins and that the only coinage executed at this Mint during the current calendar year consists of one-cent bronze pieces. Should you desire one or more of these coins, they may be obtained at their face value plus the necessary postage by application to the Treasurer of the United States at Washington, D. C., in accordance with the enclosed circular.

Respectfully,

  
Frank L. Shepard, Superintendent

OH:T

Enclosure

October 10, 1936

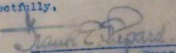
Mr. C. V. Nordgren,  
Telluride, Colorado.

Dear Sir:

Referring to your letter of the 6th instant requesting me to proceed to treat the two kings comprising your recent shipment to this institution and to advise you of the approximate value of a third king forwarded therewith and which failed to reach us, I have to advise that on the basis of my payment to you for the two kings received, the third king would have an estimated value of \$743.00 - this valuation being based on the assumption that the missing king contained identically the same proportion of gold and silver and had a weight of 48.66 troy ounces.

Payment for the two kings in question is being forwarded you under separate cover.

Respectfully,

  
Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent

OH:T

October 10, 1930

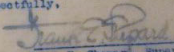
Mr. C. V. Nordgren,  
Telluride, Colorado.

Dear Sir:

Referring to your letter of the 6th instant requesting me to proceed to treat the two kings comprising your recent shipment to this institution and to advise you of the approximate value of a third king forwarded therewith and which failed to reach us, I have to advise that on the basis of my payment to you for the two kings received, the third king would have an estimated value of \$743.00 - this valuation being based on the assumption that the missing king contained identically the same proportion of gold and silver and had a weight of 48.66 troy ounces.

Payment for the two kings in question is being forwarded you under separate cover.

Respectfully,



Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent

OH:T

October 10, 1930

Sandler & Sons,  
Missouri Theatre Building,  
Grand & Lucas Avenues,  
St. Louis, Missouri.

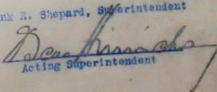
Gentlemen:

Referring to the consignment forwarded with your letter of the 8th instant, which weighed upon receipt here 1.35 troy ounces, please be advised that under the regulations no deposits are received for purchase which have a value under \$100. I therefore regret that I cannot purchase this dental scrap and upon receipt of the necessary postage and insurance your bullion will be returned you.

Respectfully,

Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent

By

  
Acting Superintendent

OH:T

October 10, 1930

Mr. A. L. Putney.  
Rocky Ford, Colorado.

Dear Sir:

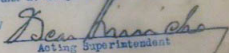
Replying to your letter of the 9th instant, I have to advise that the sand forwarded by you several days ago consists of magnetite or what is commonly known as magnetic iron which has no commercial value.

If you desire the return of your material, please send me the necessary insurance and postage.

Respectfully,

Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent

By

  
Acting Superintendent

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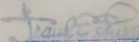
October 11, 1930

Mr. J. J. Shaw, General Manager,  
Sunnyside Mining & Milling Company,  
Eureka, Colorado.

Dear Sir:

Replying to your letter of the 8th instant, I  
have to advise that the Mint will accept deposits of clean  
placer gold in its natural state when sent in lots having a  
minimum value of \$100.

Respectfully,

  
Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent

OH:T



October 11, 1920

Dr. Judson E. Packard,  
633 Frances Building,  
Sioux City, Iowa.

Dear Sir:

Replying to your inquiry of the 9th instant, I am enclosing a circular which will give you full instructions relative to the receipt of deposits at this institution, from which you will note that all consignments must have a minimum value of \$100.00 and contain at least one-fourth of their weight in the precious metals.

The Mint does not purchase platinum nor undertake to separate that metal when forwarded with gold consignments.

Respectfully,

  
Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent

OH:T

Enclosure

October 13, 1930

Mrs. Ellen Harris,  
2111 G Street, N.W.  
Washington, D. C.

Dear Madam:

Your letter addressed to Colorado - California Assay Mint Office has been referred to this institution for reply and I regret to say that I am unable to be of any service to you in listing your mine for sale as the operations of the Mint are confined entirely to the purchase of gold and silver bullion in suitable quantities and the coinage of metallic money.

If you have forwarded some of the material from your mine to this institution, please advise me if you desire it returned and enclose the necessary postage, or what other disposition you desire made of it.

Respectfully,



Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent

OK:T

October 13, 1930

Mr. O. E. Barber,  
Spavinaw, Oklahoma.

Dear Sir:

Referring to your letter of the 11th instant, I would suggest that you have a reliable assay made of the mineral which you are desirous of selling before going to the expense of shipping the metal, as this institution would not purchase same unless the gold and silver content of your bar consists of at least one-fourth of its total weight and have a minimum value of \$100.

Shipment by express or parcel post may be insured and are regarded as being perfectly safe.

Respectfully,

  
Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent

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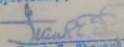
October 13, 1930

Mayer Jewelry Company,  
Twelfth & Walnut Streets,  
Kansas City, Missouri.

Gentlemen:

I am returning herewith your money order No. 563691 for \$25.00 and have to advise that the Mints do not sell silver outright although fine silver bars are furnished in exchange for the silver contained in gold deposits when their silver content forms an appreciable proportion of such deposits, the gold value to be paid for by check.

Respectfully,

  
Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent

OH:T

Enclosure

October 13, 1930

Peoples-Pittsburgh Trust Company,  
Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania.

Gentlemen:

Answering your letter of the 9th instant, I regret to say that the Mints do not distribute new coins direct to banks, it being necessary that member banks of the federal reserve system apply to the Federal Reserve Bank or one of its branches for new coin.

Regretting my inability to serve you in this matter, I am

Respectfully,



Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent

OK:T

October 13, 1930

Mr. Le Roy M. Gross,  
C/o General Delivery,  
Hot Springs, New Mexico.

Dear Sir:

Replying to your letter of the 8th instant, I am enclosing a circular which will give you full directions relative to the conditions under which deposits are received at this institution from which you will note that the gold is paid for at the rate of \$20.67 for each troy ounce of pure gold - the gold content whether 800 or 900 fine being reduced to 1000 fine and payment made accordingly.

All deposits must contain at least \$100 in value and be accompanied by a letter of advice.

Respectfully,

  
Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent

CH:T

Enclosure

October 12, 1930

Mr. W. F. Jen,  
Snyder High School,  
Snyder, Texas.

Dear Sir:

I have your letter of the 9th instant and in reply have to say that the Mint does not issue any literature pertaining to its operations.

I have no doubt, however, but you will find much information on the subject of money and how it is manufactured in any one of the large encyclopedias in your local library.

Respectfully,

*Frank E. Shepard*  
Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent

OK:T

October 14, 1930

Mr. Carl Brewer,  
708 Cleveland Avenue  
Ishpeming, Michigan

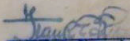
Dear Sir:

Replying to your letter of the 11th instant, I have to advise that the minting establishments of the United States, the marks by which their respective coins are distinguished and the dates of their organization are as follows:

The Mint at Philadelphia, no mark	--	1793
San Francisco - mint mark, "S"	--	1854
Denver, Colo. - " " "D"	--	1906

All coins manufactured at the above Mints, regardless of denomination, have, without exception, carried the mint mark as above noted since their organization.

Respectfully,

  
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Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent

OH:T



October 16, 1930

American Smelting & Refining Company,  
Omaha, Nebraska.

Gentlemen:

In accordance with authority of the Director of the Mint, I am shipping you this day 66,170 pounds of Mint concentrate for treatment as per your proposal of August 25, 1930, which is hereby accepted, this being the best proposal received of four invited.

This concentrate is being forwarded by the Union Pacific Railroad, bill of lading No. T-42906 to cover herewith enclosed. Upon receipt of this concentrate, please complete the certificate on the original of this bill of lading and hand same to the freight agent of the Union Pacific Railroad as a voucher on which the railroad company will collect its transportation charges for this shipment. Do not pay any charges to the railroad company for this service.

I am also enclosing bill of lading No. T-42907 for your use in returning to me the empty sacks embraced in this shipment and have to request that you will complete said bill of lading and return the original and one yellow copy to me after being signed by the railroad company, delivering to the railroad company the salmon sheet and retaining one copy for your receipt. No charges are to be paid by you on this shipment.

Respectfully,

  
Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent

OH:T  
Enclosure

October 16, 1930

Mr. G. W. Halcomb,  
Barber, Oklahoma.

Dear Sir:

Referring to your letter of the 13th instant and accompanying samples and have to advise that while the Mint does not assay or buy such material, your sample No. 1 appears to be Sphalerite, Zinc Sulphide, or what is commonly known as Zinc Blende or Rosin Zinc. Pure ore of this kind usually contains 67% zinc with 33% sulphur and your sample will closely approximate such purity.

Sample No. 2 appears to be Sphalerite Crystals in gangue rock of Calcite which is commonly called Carbonate Calcium.

I would suggest that you endeavor to take this matter up with some parties who are interested in zinc as in the event you have a large deposit of this ore it might pay you to operate same commercially.

Respectfully,

  
Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent

OH:T  
Samples returned herewith

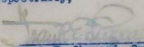
October 16, 1930

Mr. W. J. Griffith,  
Special Agent, American Railway Express Company,  
308 Union Depot, Denver, Colorado.

Dear Mr. Griffith:

In accordance with your request, I am enclosing  
herewith a copy of all correspondence relative to the de-  
posit received at this institution from C. V. Nordgren,  
Telluride, Colorado.

Respectfully,

  
Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent

CH:T

Enclosure

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DENVER OCTOBER 17, 1930

PEARCE DENTAL SUPPLY COMPANY  
WICHITA KANSAS.

YOUR DEPOSIT FOURTEENTH INSTANT WEIGHS HERE NINETY SEVEN  
DECIMAL FIFTY FIVE TROY OUNCES INSTEAD OF ONE HUNDRED FORTY SEVEN  
TROY OUNCES PLUS AS STATED BY YOU. PLEASE ADVISE.

*Frank E. Shepard*  
Superintendent Mint

Collect charges at Wichita

October 17, 1930

Mr. M. A. Van Zant,  
Sallisaw, Oklahoma.

Dear Sir:

I have your postal card of the 13th instant and have to advise that the Mint does not make analyses of mineral bearing specimens but reliable work of this kind can be done for you by the United States Assay Office at Salt Lake City, Utah, at a charge of \$1.00 for gold, \$1.00 for silver, \$1.50 for lead, \$2.00 for copper and \$2.00 for zinc, each sample - money order for the proper amount to accompany your samples.

Respectfully,

  
Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent

OK:T

October 17, 1930

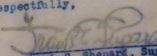
Mr. Allen R. Moore,  
President, Mount Vernon Chapter,  
Sons of The American Revolution,  
Mount Vernon, Washington.

Dear Sir:

I have your letter of the 14th instant and so far no one has presented for sale the gold button which you claim has been stolen from your premises.

In view of the fact that your button contains between  $2\frac{1}{2}$  and  $2\frac{3}{4}$  ounces, it would not have sufficient value by itself for purchase by this Mint - no deposits being received having a value less than \$100. Should it be presented, however, either by itself or with other gold, proper action will be taken in the premises. If you know the name of the party whom you suspect stole your bullion, I would suggest that you send it to me and it will be kept confidential. I know of no other way to assist you in this matter.

Respectfully,

  
Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent

OH:T

October 17, 1930

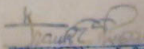
Commercial National Bank,  
Bozeman, Montana.

Gentlemen:

Referring to your letter of the 14th instant in reference to your deposit which you state weighs about 17 ounces, please be advised that upon receipt here I find that your shipment consists of 3 buttons weighing 16.08 troy ounces.

In view of the fact that you state this material weighs "about" 17 ounces, I have proceeded to treat same but thought it proper to call your attention to the exact weight as received here which action I trust will be satisfactory to you.

Respectfully,

  
Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent

CH:T

October 18, 1930

American Railway Express Agency, Inc.,  
Denver, Colorado.

Gentlemen:

Reference is made to the shipments by this Mint of \$5000 in one-cent bronze to the Federal Reserve Bank of Minneapolis on August 27th, September 10th and October 6th which were not received by that bank until three days following the dates of the shipments, namely, August 30th, September 13th and October 9th respectively.

In view of the apparent delay in transit of 24 hours in each of the shipments in question, I have to request that you will kindly advise me the cause for the delay on each of these shipments and the railroads by which they were routed.

Your prompt reply will be appreciated.

Respectfully,



Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent

OH:T



October 18, 1930

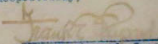
Sandler & Sons,  
Missouri Theatre Building,  
Saint Louis, Missouri.

Gentlemen:

Complying with your request of the 14th instant I have this day returned to you the scrap gold forwarded by you to this Mint for purchase, using the 21¢ in postage enclosed with your letter as follows:

Postage ..... 6¢  
Registry fee ..... 15¢

Respectfully,

  
Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent

October 18, 1930

Mr. H. E. Nixon,  
Delta, Colorado. P.O.Box 482

Dear Sir:

I have your letter of the 16th instant and accompanying consignment which weighs upon receipt here 1.85 troy ounces including the bottle in which your gold is contained.

I regret to say that the Mint cannot purchase this small consignment as no deposits are accepted having a value less than \$100. Nor am I able to advise you if your material contains any platinum as it would be necessary to melt this material and make a complete assay thereof and the Mint does not make assays of this nature.

Upon receipt of the necessary postage and insurance your consignment will be returned you.

Respectfully,

  
Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent

CH:T

October 18, 1930


Midwest Mines Corporation,  
Mr. F. W. Thorne, President,  
South Pass, Wyoming.

Gentlemen:

Referring to your consignment of recent date which weighs upon receipt here 4.65 troy ounces, please be advised that the value contained in this shipment will not be sufficient for acceptance - the Mint not accepting deposits having a value under \$100.

If you can send about  $2\frac{1}{2}$  ounces more of similar material to be added to this lot, I shall be very glad to have you forward same. Should this not be convenient, however, please send me the necessary postage and insurance for the return of your consignment to you.

Respectfully,

  
Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent

OH:T

October 20, 1930

Mr. Dan Boyer,  
Cascade, Idaho.

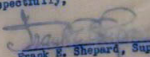
Dear Sir:

I am in receipt of your letter of the 16th instant in reference to your consignment consisting of black sand and have to advise that the Mint is not equipped to make analysis of such material. Reliable assays of this kind can be made for you by the United States Assay Office at Salt Lake City, Utah, at a charge of \$1.00 for gold and \$1.00 for silver - money order for the proper amount to accompany your samples.

Please advise me if you desire the sack of black sand which you have forwarded here returned to you and if so, please enclose the necessary postage, otherwise it will be thrown away as the Mint does not have storage space for such material.

Your prompt reply will be appreciated.

Respectfully,

  
Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent

OH:T

October 20, 1930

Dr. F. A. Holts,  
Hilbert, Wisconsin.

Dear Sir:

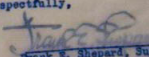
I have your letter of the 16th instant and in reply have to say that the Mint will purchase dental scrap when sent in lots having a minimum value of \$100.

I am enclosing a circular which will give you considerable information as to the quantities necessary of the different kinds of material of this nature and should you have enough to forward here, it will be treated promptly and with proper care.

The Mint pays \$20.67 for each troy ounce of pure gold, less our melting charge of \$1.00 for each 1000 ounces or fraction and there is also imposed a nominal parting and refining and toughening charge.

Your postal card is returned herewith.

Respectfully,

  
Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent

OH:T  
Enclosures

October 20, 1930

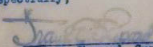
Mr. George W. Roy,  
1220 Vine Street,  
Lincoln, Nebraska.

Dear Sir:

Answering your letter of recent date, please be advised that the Mint could not purchase your silver medals unless they would have a silver content of the value of \$100 and as pure silver is now selling at approximately 35¢ per troy ounce, you would have to have a very large number of such medals to meet the above requirement.

Regretting that I cannot help you in this matter I am,

Respectfully,

  
Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent

OH:T  
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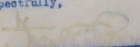
October 20, 1930

Mr. I. C. MacLennan,  
Ouray, Colorado.

Dear Sir:

In compliance with the request contained in your letter of the 18th instant, I have this day returned to you by 3rd class parcel post the small consignment of gold forwarded by you to this Mint for purchase, using  $1\frac{1}{2}\%$  of the 4% enclosed with your letter and returning  $2\frac{1}{2}\%$  in stamps herewith.

Respectfully,

  
Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent

Enclosure

October 21, 1930

Mr. H. J. Gehm,  
Colorado Springs, Colorado. Box 56

Dear Sir:

I have your letter and consignment of the 20th instant and have to advise that your gold, weighing 3.52 troy ounces, does not contain sufficient value for acceptance by the Mint - no deposits being received having a value less than \$100.

If you can add the necessary additional gold to bring your deposit up to the required amount, I shall be very glad to have you do so, but if this is not convenient, please send me the necessary postage and insurance and your shipment will be returned to you.

Respectfully,

  
Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent

OH:T



October 21, 1930

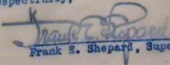
Mr. E. A. Steele, Secretary,  
Young Men's Christian Association,  
Groveland, New York.

Dear Sir:

I have your letter of the 18th instant and regret to say that this institution is not equipped to make analyses of mineral bearing earth or rock. Such work can be done for you, however, by the United States Assay Office at Salt Lake City, Utah, at a charge of \$1.00 for and \$1.00 for silver, each sample. Money order for the proper amount, payable to that office, must accompany your samples.

If you desire the return of the sample you have forwarded here, please send me the necessary postage and insurance.

Respectfully,

  
Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent

OH:T

October 23, 1930

Mr. C. P. Johnesee,  
Waynesville, Missouri.


Dear Sir:

I have your samples of rock which you desire assayed for gold and silver and in reference thereto have to advise that while the Mint does not make assays of such material, it appear that your samples have no precious metal content and I am therefore returning the \$1.00 enclosed by you herewith.

Should you wish to have an assay made of your material, reliable work of this kind can be done for you by the United States Assay Office, Salt Lake City, Utah, at a charge of \$1.00 for gold and \$1.00 for silver, each sample. Money order for the proper amount payable to that office must accompany your samples.

If you desire the return of the samples you have forwarded here, please send the necessary postage and they will be returned to you.

Respectfully,

  
Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent

OH:T  
Enclosure

October 23, 1930

Mr. Walter Puermann,  
424 Amarillo Building,  
Amarillo, Texas.


Dear Sir:

In reference to the six buttons forwarded by you on the 21st instant, which weigh upon receipt here 8 troy ounces, please be advised that it does not appear that these buttons will have a value of \$100.00 which is the minimum value of deposits received for purchase. If you can send about 2 ounces more I think your material will meet that requirement.

Should I proceed to treat the buttons which you have already sent and find they contain less than \$100.00 in value, it would be necessary for me to impose a melting charge of \$1.00 and reject your deposit. If you can send the additional gold I shall be glad to have you do so, but in the event this is not convenient, your buttons will be returned you upon receipt of the necessary postage and insurance.

Please advise me promptly of your wishes in the matter.

Respectfully,

  
Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent

OH:T

October 23, 1930


Mr. T. B. Snyder,  
Fowler, Colorado.

Dear Sir:

Replying to your inquiry, the Mint can assay your gold filled watch cases at a charge of \$3.00 for gold, each sample. I presume you desire to sell these watch cases, in which event I have to advise that such material contains very little gold and a large amount of base metal and it would be necessary for you to send enough good gold or silver to give your material a minimum value of \$100.00 and have it contain about one-fourth of its weight in gold and silver.

I am enclosing a circular which may be of some use to you in this matter.

Respectfully,

  
Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent

CH:T  
Enclosure

October 23, 1930

Mr. R. A. Beland,  
Concordia, Kansas. Box 207

Dear Sir:

Referring to your recent consignment I have to advise that it has been melted and assayed and found to contain over 800 assay parts of base metal.

In view of the fact that the regulations do not permit acceptance of bullion containing 800 or more assay parts of base metal out of a possible 1000, I am compelled to reject your deposit and impose a melting charge of \$1.00 which covers the expense of treatment up to the time of its rejection, which amount you will please send me at your earliest convenience.

Should you desire to reenter this bullion as a deposit, it will be necessary for you to add between 5 and 10 ounces of high grade silver thereto to lower its base metal content, but before this deposit can be reentered, the melting charge above referred to will have to be paid as it cannot be taken from the proceeds of your bullion.

Kindly let me hear from you at your earliest convenience.

Respectfully,

  
Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent

OH:T

October 24, 1930

El Paso National Bank,  
El Paso, Texas.

Gentlemen:

I am returning herewith your affidavit pertinent to your deposit No. 224 under date of the 21st instant with the request that you amend this affidavit to read that the Mexican gold comprising this shipment was obtained by you in amounts less than \$100.00, provided, of course, such is the case.

In the event that this gold has been purchased by you in amounts of \$100.00 and in excess thereof, it will be necessary that affidavits be furnished from the individuals, firms or corporations from whom you have obtained same.

Please also note pencil notations on your affidavit which should be amended accordingly.

Respectfully,

at  
Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent

CH:T  
Enclosure

October 24, 1930

Port Worth Smelting & Refining Company,  
Port Worth, Texas. 105 East 10th Street.

Gentlemen:


Referring to your consignment under date of the 20th instant which you state weighs 79.25 ounces with a value of \$115.00, please be advised that upon receipt here your material weighs 93.30 troy ounces and appears to contain considerable base metal. Owing to this fact I am doubtful if it will have a value of \$100, weighing as it does 14 ounces more than estimated by you.

Should I proceed to treat this deposit and find it has a value under \$100.00, <sup>or an excess of base metal</sup> the regulations require that it be rejected and our charges imposed for work done up to that time.

I would therefore suggest that you send about 10 ounces of good silver to be added to this consignment in order that there will be no doubt about it having the proper fineness and value.

I am therefore holding your deposit without treatment and will thank you to advise me promptly as to your wishes in the matter.

Respectfully,

  
Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent

CH:T

October 25, 1930

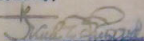
Fritch & Company, Jewelers,  
420 Main Street,  
Valley City, North Dakota.

Gentlemen:

Referring to your shipment of gold scrap under date of the 22nd instant and your request that the largest bridge included therein be valued separately, I have to advise that inasmuch as the Mint does not accept deposits under \$100.00 in value, in which manner this bridge would have to be treated in order to give you its separate valuation, I am unable to comply with your request although I will send you a memo of its weight.

I am holding your deposit until advised by you if you want this bridge included with the rest of your material.

Respectfully,



Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent

OH:T



October 25, 1930

Montrose National Bank,  
Montrose, Colorado.

Gentlemen:

Referring to your shipment under date of the 22nd instant of approximately 41 ounces of gold bullion for the account of Paul Nardin of Telluride, I have to advise that it is necessary, before such deposits can be entered upon our books and paid for, that Mr. Nardin furnish through you a definite statement as to the source from which he obtained this bullion; giving the name and location of the mine from which it was actually produced and guarantying title thereto to the United States. Upon the receipt of such information I will proceed to treat your consignment.

Respectfully,



Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent

OH:T

October 25, 1930

Messrs. Stivers and Strang,  
Nye Building,  
Montrose, Colorado.

Gentlemen:

Referring to your letter of the 23rd instant, I have to advise that deposits in order to be acceptable for purchase by the Mint must contain a minimum value of \$100, and the watch chain referred to by you will be purchased if it contains that value.

If you have no means of determining the value of this chain, you might forward it here and if it is believed to contain the necessary value, payment will be made you in gold coin or by check on the Treasurer of the United States, at the rate of \$20.67 for each ounce of pure gold contained therein. In the event your chain has not the required value, it will be returned you upon receipt of the necessary postage and insurance.

Respectfully,

  
Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent

OH:T

October 25, 1930

Mr. Le Roy M. Gross,  
C/o General Delivery,  
Hot Springs, New Mexico.

Dear Sir:

I am in receipt this morning of your letter dated the 10th instant, which is a duplicate of a communication under date of the 8th instant received here on the 13th instant, to which reply was made that day a copy of which is enclosed herewith. From this letter you will note that all gold regardless of fineness is reduced to 1000 fine and payment made therefor at the rate of \$20.67 for each troy ounce fine. In other words, there is no schedule of payment for different finenesses although it amounts to the same thing when different fineness are placed on the basis of 1000 fine which is pure gold.

Respectfully,

  
Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent

OH:T  
Enclosure

October 25, 1930


Midwest Mines Corporation,  
South Pass, Wyoming.

Gentlemen:

Complying with request contained in your letter of the 23rd instant, I have this day returned to you by registered mail the bullion forwarded by you to this Mint for purchase, using the 48¢ in stamps enclosed with your letter as follows:

Postage .....	14¢
Registry fee .....	20¢
Stamps returned herewith .....	14¢

Respectfully,

  
Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent

Enclosure

October 27, 1930.

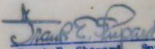
The Sommers Oil Co.,  
Denver, Colorado.

Sirs:

Referring to your bill, enclosed, covering your order number 3505 - 5  
Gal. Paraffine Oil, \$1.60, will you kindly have same certified to as per  
instructions attached?

Upon return of same properly certified, the bill will be paid immediately.

Respectfully,

  
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Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent.

October 27, 1930

Messrs. Buchholz & Richards,  
Newell, South Dakota.

Re: Henry Peetz Estate

Gentlemen:

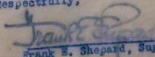
Answering your letter of the 23rd instant, I have to advise that the Mint will purchase the old jewelry, gold and silver to which you refer, provided it will have a minimum value of \$100.00 and the consignment contains one-fourth of its weight in the precious metals - gold and silver - no other metals being purchased by the Mint.

For each troy ounce of pure gold and Mint will pay \$20.67 and the New York market price, less the fraction, for each troy ounce of pure silver.

The Mint imposes a melting charge of \$1.00 for deposit of 1000 ounces or fraction thereof and also a nominal treatment charge which varies with the fineness of the deposit.

Should you forward any of this material to the Mint, please prepay transportation charges and accompany your shipment with a letter of advice.

Respectfully,

  
Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent

OH:T

October 27, 1930

Star Engraving Company,  
Houston, Texas.

Gentlemen:

Referring to your letter of the 24th instant, I have to say that while electrolytic copper which has been melted is suitable for alloying gold, the Mint has obtained better results by using copper in the original cathode form as taken from the electrolytic cells without subsequent melting.

The Mint has purchased copper in cathode form from the American Smelting & Refining Company at Denver and from the American Metal Company, Nichols Copper Company and the United Metals Company of New York City. Perhaps the Anaconda Copper Company of Butte, Montana, may also be able to supply you with this copper.

I am not in a position, however, to say if any of these companies will furnish you with original cathode copper in the small quantities which you would desire but that you could ascertain by corresponding with them.

Respectfully,

  
Frank W. Shepard, Superintendent

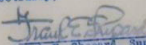
October 27, 1930

Mr. H. J. Chatwin,  
Jensen, Utah.

Dear Sir:

Replying to your letter of the 24th instant,  
please be advised that the Mint does not deal in old coins  
and therefore does not pay a premium on the Indian head  
one-cent bronze piece.

Respectfully,

  
Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent

OH:T



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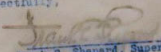
Mr. Jay Cherniack,  
215 Bennett Building,  
Council Bluffs, Iowa.

Dear Sir:

I have your letter and deposit under date of the 25th instant, the latter weighing upon receipt here 6.40 troy ounces, and have to advise that in view of the fact that the Mint does not accept deposits for purchase which have a value under \$100.00, it does not appear that I will be able to accept your consignment which likely would not contain a value over \$60.00.

If you can send sufficient additional material to be added to this shipment, I shall be glad to have you do so, but if this is not convenient, your consignment will be returned you upon receipt of the necessary postage and insurance. Please advise me promptly.

Respectfully,

  
Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent

CH:T

October 27, 1930

Mountain States Telephone & Telegraph Co.,  
Denver, Colorado.

Gentlemen:

This will acknowledge the receipt of your  
voucher-check, No. 2994, in amount \$1.67 covering com-  
mission on collection from telephone booth Main-9972 for  
the period September 11, 1930, to October 20, 1930.

Respectfully,

  
Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent

CH:T

October 27, 1930

Mountain States Telephone & Telegraph Co.,  
Denver, Colorado.

Gentlemen:

This will acknowledge the receipt of your  
voucher-check, No. 2994, in amount \$1.67 covering com-  
mission on collection from telephone booth Main-9972 for  
the period September 11, 1930, to October 20, 1930.

Respectfully,

  
Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent

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October 28, 1930

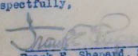
Mr. E. A. Steele,  
Young Men's Christian Association,  
Groveland, New York.

Dear Sir:

Complying with your request of the 25th instant,  
I have this day returned to you by insured mail the sample  
of rock and earth forwarded by you to this institution for  
analysis, using the \$1.00 money order enclosed with your  
letter as follows:

Postage .....	18¢
Insurance .....	10¢
Stamps enclosed herewith .....	72¢

Respectfully,

  
Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent

Enclosure

October 28, 1930


Dr. M. P. Bauchert,  
Hacienda de Valsequillo,  
Allende, Chihuahua, Mexico.

Dear Sir:

I have to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 24th instant and accompanying bar of bullion weighing upon receipt here 9.99 troy ounces, and have to advise that under present regulations the Mint cannot accept deposits of gold from a resident of Mexico or gold of Mexican origin from parties residing within the United States unless accompanied by an affidavit certifying as to the source from which the gold has been obtained; also that the gold has not been stolen; that it is being forwarded on behalf of no other person or persons, and that affiant has absolute title to the gold and guarantees title to the gold to the United States; and further that it has been declared to the United States Custom Officials in evidence of which Port of Entry Certificate must be attached to the affidavit, which latter must be executed and signed before a Notary Public by a responsible person residing within the United States.

The foregoing requirements have been in force during the past year or more and I am unable to accept deposits of Mexican origin unless they are fully complied with.

Respectfully,

  
Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent

OH:T

October 28, 1930

Mr. George McLeMare,  
Arkoma, Oklahoma.

Dear Sir:

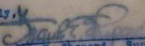
I have your letter of the 23rd instant enclosing money order for \$2.00 and under separate cover have received your package of mineral and have to advise that this Mint is not equipped to make analyses of mineral bearing specimens and your money order is accordingly returned herewith.

I have examined your specimens and have to say that the shiney particles appearing therein are believed to be mica and not gold although I am unable to say that your specimens do not contain any of the precious metals which, however, is not likely to be the case.

Should you desire to have your specimens analyzed, I would suggest that you send them to the United States Assay Office at Salt Lake City, Utah, where reliable work of this kind can be done for you at a charge of \$1.00 for gold and \$1.00 for silver - money order for the proper amount to accompany your samples.

If you desire the return of the samples which you have forwarded here, please send me the necessary postage and insurance.

Respectfully,

  
Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent

OH:T  
Enclosure

October 28, 1930

The Ft. Worth Smelting & Refining Company  
1318 Arcade Place, Ft. Worth, Texas.

Gentlemen:

I am in receipt of your letter of the 25th instant and accompanying package of gold and silver bullion which you state weighs 71.20 ounces with a value of \$109.50.

Upon receipt here your bullion weighs 69.94 troy ounces and I am unable to enter same for purchase as the base metal contained in your bullion will exceed the limit prescribed by the Mint regulations, to remedy which it will be necessary for you to send approximately 15 ounces of good silver to increase the precious metal content of your consignment.

In this connection, I have to advise that deposits must not only have a value of \$100.00, but must also contain practically one-fourth of their weight in gold and silver, which you will readily see your consignment does not comply with.

I am therefore holding your shipment without treatment until advised by you as to your wishes in the matter.

Respectfully,

  
Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent

OH:T

October 28, 1930

The First National Bank,  
Nogales, Arizona.

Gentlemen:

I have your letter of the 24th instant and accompanying affidavit pertinent to the shipment by you of 15,000 pesos Mexican gold coin, your collection No.42032, and am returning your affidavit herewith, it being necessary that it be amended in the following manner in order to enable me to accept your consignment for purchase:

First: In addition to the fact that affidavits must be executed by an executive officer of the corporation, it is necessary that he recite therein that he has been duly authorized to offer the gold for sale to the United States Mint, and to warrant title to the gold by the governing body of the corporation;

Second: Affiant must state that the gold has been obtained from the regular customers of the bank who reside within the United States in amounts less than \$100.00, and that said customers acquired the gold in payment for merchandise, or on account of other legitimate commercial transactions;

Third: That to the best of the knowledge and belief of the affiant said gold has not been stolen; that the persons from whom the bank acquired the gold had good title thereto, and that no adverse claim has been made to said gold;

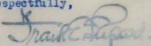
Fourth: Affiant must state that the gold is being offered for sale by the bank on its own behalf and not for the account of any other person or persons.

The foregoing requirements are all necessary in addition



to the statements already included in your affidavit.

Respectfully,

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read "Frank E. Shepard". The signature is written in a cursive style with a prominent initial "F".

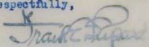
Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent

OH:T

Enclosure

to the statements already included in your affidavit.

Respectfully,

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read "Frank E. Shepard". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large, stylized initial "F".

Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent

CH:T

Enclosure

October 28, 1930

First National Bank,  
Nogales, Arizona.

Gentlemen:

Enclosed please find affidavit inadvertently  
omitted from my letter of this date relative to your de-  
posit of 15,000 pesos Mexican gold coin, your collection  
No. 42032.

Respectfully,

Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent.

By

*Dean Kinich*  
Acting Superintendent

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Enclosure

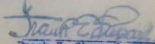
October 29, 1930

Mrs. Raymond Mann,  
1625 Pine Street,  
Boulder, Colorado.

Dear Madam:

Replying to your note of recent date, I have to advise that the Government never pays a premium on any of its money and if there is a premium on the \$1.00 bill to which you refer it would be paid only by private coin collectors or numismatic dealers although I know of no reason why this bill would command a premium.

Respectfully,



Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent

OH:T

October 29, 1930

Mr. P. E. Bryant,  
2900 Arline Avenue,  
Muskogee, Oklahoma.

Dear Sir:

I have your letter of the 27th instant and in reply have to advise that the Mint will purchase old gold and silver when sent in lots having a minimum value of \$100.00 and where the base metal content does not approximate four-fifths of the weight of the deposit. The Mint does not purchase platinum nor make any allowance therefor when contained in gold deposits.

The Mint pays \$20.67 for each troy ounce of pure gold and the New York market price, less the fraction, which prevails on the day prior to the receipt of the deposit, for silver.

A \$1.00 melting charge for each 1000, or fraction, is imposed on each deposit and also a nominal treatment charge which varies according to the fineness of the deposit.

I am enclosing a circular which will give you further information on this subject and should you make any shipments here they will receive my prompt attention.

Respectfully,

  
Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent

October 31, 1930

Mr. R. A. Beland,  
Concordia, Kansas.

Dear Sir:

Referring to your recent consignment which it was necessary to reject owing to the fact that it did not meet the requirements of this institution and to which was added the additional lot forwarded by you, I have to say that after combining this new lot with your rejected deposit and melting same, I find that the additional material which you forwarded contained so much base metal that your bar now contains considerably over 800 assay parts of base metal and will have to be again rejected and a \$1.00 melting charge imposed.

In this connection I think it proper to say that deposits to be acceptable for purchase must not only have a value of \$100.00, but practically one-fourth of their weight must be pure gold and silver which I do not think you clearly understand.

If you desire to reenter this bar, it may be done upon the receipt of the \$1.00 melting charge in question and the forwarding by you of 15 ounces of good silver which will

reduce the base metal content of your bar to the required amount. No gold scrap such as you have forwarded should be sent for addition to this bar as that would again increase its base metal content beyond the limits acceptable.

Respectfully,

  
Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent

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October 30, 1930

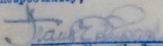
Swartz Jewelry Company,  
1401 Douglas,  
Omaha, Nebraska.

Gentlemen:

I have a consignment bearing your name on the outside but to date have not received from you a letter of advice pertaining to this deposit which is necessary before it may be entered on our books and paid for.

Kindly advise me concerning this shipment at your earliest convenience.

Respectfully,



Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent

CH:T



October 31, 1930

Mr. J. M. Berger,  
Craig, Colorado.

Dear Sir:

I have your letter of recent date and your two packages of mineral samples which you desire to have analyzed and valued, and in reply have to say that this institution is not equipped to make analyses of mineral bearing sand and ore. Reliable work of this kind can be done for you by the United States Assay Office at Salt Lake City, Utah, at a charge of \$1.00 for gold and \$1.00 for silver, each sample - money order for the proper amount payable to that office to accompany your samples.

Should you desire the return of the samples which you have forwarded here, please send me the necessary postage.

Respectfully,

  
Frank E. Sheward, Superintendent

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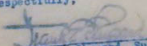
October 31, 1930

First National Bank,  
Nogales, Arizona.

Gentlemen:

I am returning herewith the affidavit forwarded by you in connection with your deposit No. 15663 and desire to call your attention to the fact that the Consumption Entry Permit No. 0126, dated October 27, 1930, does not bear the seal of the Customs Office, which please have affixed and return to me with attached affidavit.

Respectfully,

  
Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent

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October 31, 1930

Mr. James Gibb,  
Salmon, Idaho.

Dear Sir:

I am in receipt of your note of the 27th instant and accompanying consignment weighing upon receipt here 6.22 troy ounces, the weight of which you state to be 9 $\frac{1}{2}$  ounces.

As amalgam usually contains about one half of its weight in metal, your consignment would not anywhere near approximate the minimum value of deposits received which is \$100.00 and I am therefore unable to accept same for purchase.

Upon receipt of the necessary postage and insurance your amalgam will be returned to you.

Respectfully,

  
Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent

CH:F

October 31, 1930

Chicago-Magnetuck Crucible Company,  
Shelton, Connecticut.

Gentlemen:

Replying to your letter of the 8th instant, I take pleasure in enclosing a report from the Acting Superintendent of our Melting & Refining Department on one of the No. 100 crucibles forwarded by you for test from which you will note that it has given excellent service.

The second crucible which was sent to the Foreman of the Refinery you will note has not yet been tested and I will be glad to report to you concerning this at a later date.

Respectfully,

  
Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent

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Enclosure

October 31, 1930

Mr. R. B. Nixon,  
P. O. Box 492  
Delta, Colorado.

Dear Sir:

Complying with your request of the 28th instant,  
I have this day returned to you by insured parcel post the  
small amount of gold forwarded by you to this Mint for purchase,  
having used the 21¢ in stamps enclosed with your  
letter as follows:

Postage .....	3¢
Insurance .....	8¢
Stamps returned herewith ...	10¢

Respectfully,

  
Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent

Enclosure

October 31, 1930

Fritch & Company, Jewelers,  
420 Main Street,  
Valley City, North Dakota.

Gentlemen:

In further reference to your recent deposit at this institution which arrived several days subsequent to my letter to you on the 25th instant, I have to advise that upon receipt here it weighs 6.65 troy ounces and I judge its value will not exceed \$80.00, under which conditions it can not be accepted for purchase unless you can send sufficient additional material to give it a minimum value of \$100. The large bridge enclosed therein and which you desired to know the weight of, weighs 93/100ths of a troy ounce.

Please advise me of your wishes in this matter.

Respectfully,

  
Frank M. Shepard, Superintendent

ON:W

October 31, 1930

Ft. Worth Smelting & Refining Company,  
Ft. Worth, Texas.

Gentlemen:

Referring to your letter of the 29th instant relative to your deposit to which reference was made in my letter of the 24th instant which you requested be combined with any deposit we are now holding for your account, please be advised that at the present time we have two consignments from you awaiting the addition of sufficient silver to increase their fineness to comply with the Mint regulations; namely, shipment of October 20th weighing upon receipt here 93.30 troy ounces and needing 10 ounces or more of good silver, and your shipment of October 25th weighing upon receipt here 69.94 troy ounces, requiring 15 or more ounces of good silver; All other deposits received from you of recent date being now booked or settled for, only the two foregoing remaining and to combine them would not alter the conditions which prohibit their acceptance.

Upon receipt of the necessary silver as noted above, they can be combined or treated separately. I will therefore hold them intact until advised further by you in the matter.

Respectfully,

  
Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent

CH:T

November 1, 1930

Superintendent,  
United States Assay Office,  
New York City.

Sir: Referring to the transfer of E. J. Wagon from your office to the position of Superintendent of Melting & Refining Department at this institution, will you kindly furnish me with an abstract of the annual and sick leave granted Mr. Wagon during the past five years including the current calendar year; also the information as indicated on the enclosed blank relative to deductions for the Retirement Fund.

Respectfully,



Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent

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November 1, 1930

Mr. William Hargreaves,  
2285 University Avenue,  
New York City, New York.


Dear Sir:

I have your letter of the 29th ultimo and enclosed 25¢ piece for which you desire certain one-cent bronze pieces of the coinage of the Denver Mint and have to advise that none of the issues desired by you are now available, all having been distributed promptly after their issue. We have, however, one-cent bronze pieces for 1929 and 1930 only.

In this connection I have to state that under present regulations application for such coins must be made direct to the Treasurer of the United States at Washington in accordance with the information contained in the enclosed circular.

The 25¢ piece and your stamps enclosed with your letter are returned herewith.

Respectfully,

  
Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent

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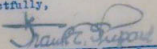
November 1, 1920

Mr. William Hanks,  
Soldiers Grove, Wisconsin.

Dear Sir:

I have your letter of the 29th ultimo and have to say that if your gold nugget contains \$100.00 in pure gold which is not imbedded in ore, it will be purchased by the Mint. Should you forward it here, please prepay transportation charges and accompany same with a letter of advice.

Respectfully,



Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent

CH:T

November 1, 1930

Dr. C. V. McCormack,  
918 Gary State Bank Building,  
Gary, Indiana.

Dear Sir:

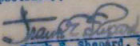
I am in receipt of your letter of the 30th ultimo and accompanying consignment which I have to advise is not suitable for purchase by the Mint, it being necessary that practically all foreign matter must be removed from such material before being forwarded here.

Deposits to be acceptable for purchase must have a minimum value of \$100.00 and contain at least one-fifth of their weight in the precious metals.

I am enclosing a circular which will give you further information on this subject.

Upon receipt of the necessary postage and insurance your material will be returned you.

Respectfully,



Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent

CH:T  
Enclosure

November 1, 1930

Montrose National Bank,  
Montrose, Colorado.

Gentlemen:

I have to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 31st ultimo pertinent to the deposit received through you for the account of Paul Nardin of Telluride, Colorado, as to the source of the bullion in question.

I am returning the same herewith as it does not furnish the information as requested in my letter to you of the 25th ultimo. As stated therein it is necessary that Mr. Nardin state the name of the mine from which this bullion was actually produced (not taken), and also that he will guarantee title to this bullion to the United States Mint.

Respectfully,

  
Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent

OH:T

Enclosure

November 3, 1930

Mr. R. V. Browinski,  
P. O. Box 442,  
Louisville, Kentucky,

Dear Sir:

Replying to your letter of the 30th ultimo,  
I have to advise that during the current calendar year  
only the one-cent bronze coins have been issued by this  
institution.

Should you desire to obtain any of these coins,  
application should be made direct to the Treasurer of the  
United States at Washington.

Respectfully,

Frank S. Shepard, Superintendent

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November 3, 1930

Mr. Charles B. Thorne,  
Young Men's Christian Association,  
Rock Island, Illinois.

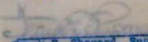
Dear Sir:

Answering your letter of the 31st ultimo, I have to advise that the skilled laborers at this institution are appointed from the eligible list established by the United States Civil Service Commission from such examinations as are prescribed thereby.

I would therefore suggest that you correspond with the Secretary of the 13th Civil Service District in this city to ascertain from him when examinations will be held for such positions.

There are no vacancies in this institution at the present time.

Respectfully,

  
Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent

OH:T

November 3, 1930

Mr. Louis A. Novin,  
1008 Main Street,  
Dallas, Texas.

Dear Sir:

I am in receipt of a deposit with your card enclosed but to date have not received from you a letter of advice concerning this consignment which is necessary before it can be entered on our books and paid for. Kindly let me hear from you at your earliest convenience.

Respectfully,

  
Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent

CH:T

November 3, 1930

Mr. I. E. Jorgenson, Cashier  
Commonwealth Bank,  
Green River, Utah.

Dear Sir:

I have your letter of the 31st ultimo and have to say that the small consignment of gold forwarded by you to this institution will be returned upon receipt of 32¢ to cover postage and insurance, that being the amount which was paid to send it here. The Mint has no fund from which to pay this expense.

Respectfully,

  
Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent

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November 6, 1930

Dr. W. M. Storey,  
415 First Central Building,  
Madison, Wisconsin.

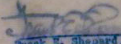
Dear Sir:

I have your consignment of recent date, weighing upon receipt here 7.54 troy ounces, and have to advise that inasmuch as deposits containing less than \$100.00 in value are rejected and it appears that your consignment may fall slightly below that value, I would suggest that you send a small additional quantity to be added thereto in order that it will comply with the Mint regulations.

Should I proceed to treat your deposit and then find its value under \$100.00, it would be necessary for me to impose the Mint charges up to the time of its rejection amounting to \$1.00, which expense you could avoid by sending the additional quantity above referred to.

Please advise me promptly of your wishes in the matter.

Respectfully,

  
Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent

OH:T

November 6, 1930

Mr. E. H. Wells,  
President & Director,  
New Mexico School of Mines,  
Socorro, New Mexico.

Dear Sir:

I have your letter of the 4th instant and in reply have to state your questions and my answers thereto as follows:

1. What do you pay for the gold and silver content of the crude bullion shipped to you?

Answer: Gold is paid for at the rate of \$20.67 for each pure ounce, troy; silver at the New York market price, less the fraction, which prevails on the day prior to the receipt of the deposit. The Mint does not accept gold or silver bearing ore.

2. Will you accept amalgam containing gold and silver?

Answer: No.

3. Will you accept the sludge obtained from the precipitation of gold - and silver bearing cyanide solutions?

Answer: No.

4. By what carrier is bullion, amalgam, etc., shipped?

Answer: As all consignments are forwarded at the risk of the consignee and the regulations require that all deposits must be delivered at the Mint free of all transportation costs, the method of shipment is entirely at the option of the consignee. Deposits not delivered in person by the depositor are usually forwarded by prepaid express or insured parcel post.

5. Will you accept lead or copper bullion with high gold and silver values? If so, do you pay for the lead and copper?

Answer: The Mint will not accept gold or silver deposits with a high lead content. Copper deposits containing at least one-fifth of their weight in pure gold or silver and having a value of at least \$100.00 in the precious

metals will be accepted. No payment is made for the lead and copper, or any metal other than gold and silver.

I am enclosing a circular which will give you further information on this subject.

Respectfully,

  
Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent

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DENVER

November 6, 1930

FIRST NATIONAL BANK  
EL PASO TEXAS.

YOUR SHIPMENT A TWENTYSIX SEVENTYTWO FIVE UPON ACTUAL  
COUNT THIRTY PESOS SHORT.

  
\_\_\_\_\_  
Superintendent Mint

Collect charges at El Paso.

November 6, 1930

The Capital Dental Laboratory,  
207-208 Federal Bank & Trust Building,  
Little Rock, Arkansas.

Gentlemen:

I have your letter and consignment under date of the 4th instant and regret to say that your small deposit, weighing upon receipt here 3.32 troy ounces, cannot be entered upon our books for the reason that the regulations require that all deposits to be acceptable for purchase must have a minimum value of \$100.00 which, of course, your shipment would not anywhere near approximate.

Were it not for the fact that the regulations inhibit the acceptance of such small consignments, I should be very glad to treat this material in order to afford you a check on same but under the conditions, I am unable to accept it.

If you desire to send additional material to be added to this lot, I judge it will require at least as much as you have already sent.

Please advise me of your wishes regarding the disposition of this material.

Respectfully,

  
Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent

CH:T

November 7, 1930

Fritch & Company, Jewelers,  
420 Main Street,  
Valley City, North Dakota.

Gentlemen:

Replying to your postal card of the 3rd instant, I have to say that it will be satisfactory for you to send the gold filled watchcases for addition to the consignment I am now holding for your account to give it the necessary value, but in view of the fact that gold filled watchcases contain a great deal of base metal and very little gold, their addition alone would probably give your deposit an excess of base metal to obviate which I would suggest that you forward with these watchcases at least one-fourth of their weight in high grade silver. I would also suggest that you forward enough material to give your deposit a value well over \$100.00 in order that there may be no doubt about its meeting our requirements in this respect.

Respectfully,

  
Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent

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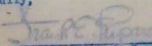
November 7, 1930

Mr. F. E. Hilt,  
Mountain Grove, Missouri. R. 2

Dear Sir:

Replying to your inquiry of the 5th instant regarding assay of mineral specimens, I have to advise that this institution is not equipped to make assays of such material. Reliable work of this kind, however, can be done for you by the United States Assay Office at Salt Lake City, Utah, at a charge of \$1.00 for gold and \$1.00 for silver - money order for the proper amount payable to that office to accompany your samples.

Respectfully,

  
Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent

CH:T

November 7, 1930

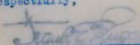
Mr. I. E. Jorgenson, Cashier  
Commonwealth Bank,  
Green River, Utah.

Dear Sir:

Complying with your request I have this day returned to you by registered mail the small consignment of gold forwarded by you to this Mint for purchase, using the 34¢ in postage enclosed by you as follows:

Postage .....	12¢
Registry fee .....	20¢
Stamp returned .....	2¢

Respectfully,

  
Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent

Enclosure



November 8, 1930

Mr. Floyd Sharp,  
234 Randall Avenue,  
Fort F. E. Warren,  
Cheyenne, Wyoming.

Dear Sir:

Answering your letter of the 5th instant, I have to advise that the Mint does not deal in old coins nor pay a premium thereon and if there is a premium on the 10¢ piece of 1865 it would be payable only by private coin collectors or numismatic dealers.

Respectfully,

  
Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent

OE:T

Watt Surety Co  
Denver

UNITED STATES MINT AT DENVER, COLORADO, Nov. 10, 1930

Respectfully returned with the information that Mr. Joseph Leykam was dropped from the rolls of this institution at the close of business July 31, 1930, on which date he was retired from the service having reached retirement age.

*Frank E. Shepard*  
Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent

San Francisco Mint

UNITED STATES MINT at Denver, Colo., Nov. 10, 1930

Respectfully returned with the information that 5.440 ounces of Gold and .90 of an ounce of Silver were received from Nevada during the period mentioned and no gold or silver was received from either California or Oregon and none is anticipated for the balance of the calendar year from any of the three states mentioned.

*Frank E. Shepard*  
Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent

November 10, 1930

Mr. Ray Marble,  
408 South 8th Street,  
Livingston, Montana.

Dear Sir:

I am returning herewith the one-cent bronze piece enclosed with your recent note to this institution and have to say that the Mint does not deal in old coins nor pay a premium thereon.

Respectfully,

  
Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent

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November 10, 1930

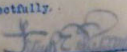
Mr. Arthur B. Harsmann,  
Stafford, Kansas.

Dear Sir:

I have your note of the 8th instant and in reply have to advise that the design on the Double Eagle coin, or \$20 gold piece, is entirely different from the design on the Eagle, or \$10 gold piece of 1907 - coins of the different denominations never bearing the same design.

If you desire any of these coins from the Mint, application must be made direct to the Treasurer of the United States at Washington, D. C., in accordance with the instructions contained in the enclosed circular.

Respectfully,

  
Frank B. Shepard, Superintendent

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November 10, 1930

Fances D. Whittenmore,  
1815 College Avenue,  
Topeka, Kansas.

Dear Madam:

I have your letter of the 6th instant and the following tokens and coins appear to be the only instances presenting the likenesses of Washington and Lincoln:

Tokens and pattens which present the likeness of Washington:  
One-Cent Bronze 1783 - Obverse, Washington and Independence,  
One-Cent Bronze 1791-2-3 - Obverse, Washington, President,  
One-Cent Bronze 1793 & 5 - Obverse, Bust of Washington,  
Halfpenny 1793 - Obverse, Washington, President,  
Half Cent 1795 - Obverse, Bust of Washington.

National coinage after the establishment of the Mint at Philadelphia:

One-Cent Bronze 1909, Bust of Abraham Lincoln,  
Lafayette Dollar 1900 - Obverse, Heads of Washington and  
Lafayette conjoined.

So far as I am aware the Government has not issued any prints illustrating the coinage of the United States.

Respectfully,

  
Frank E. Shepard, Superintendent

OH:T









